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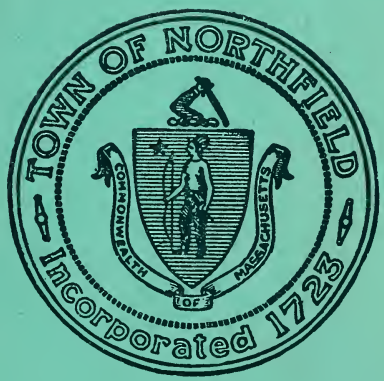

NORTHFIELD
MASSACHUSETTS

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TOWN OFFICERS

Moderator

Edgar J. Livingston

Town Clerk

Josephine S. Haskell

Town Treasurer

Charles F. Slate

Selectmen

Ernest A. Parker, Chmn.	Term expires February 1954
Luman A. Barber	Term expires February 1955
William M. Marshall	Term expires February 1956

Assessors

Ernest A. Parker	Term expires February 1954
Fred S. Merrifield, Chmn. (deceased)	Term expires February 1955
Clifford A. Field	Term expires February 1956

Tax Collector

Roy J. Fish	Term expires February 1954

School Committee

Roy J. Fish	Term expires February 1954
Louis M. Abbey	Term expires February 1955
Irving J. Lawrence, Chmn.	Term expires February 1956

Library Trustees

C. Ina Merriman—resigned	Term expires February 1954
Lillian G. Wells, appointed	Term expires February 1954
Winthrop W. Sanderson	Term expires February 1954
Horace H. Morse	Term expires February 1955
Gwendolyn O. Leavis	Term expires February 1955
Louise R. Reeves	Term expires February 1956
Luman A. Barber	Term expires February 1956

Cemetery Commissioners

Ellwyn E. Miller—resigned	Term expires February 1954
Murray M. Hammond, appointed	Term expires February 1954
Carlton W. Holton	Term expires February 1955
David G. Quinn	Term expires February 1956

Tree Warden

Frank W. Anderson — Term expires February 1954

Constables

Paul E. Chamberlin — Term expires February 1954
Joseph G. Morgan — Term expires February 1954
Martin E. Vorce — Term expires February 1954
Murray M. Hammond—Farms resident
Term expires February 1954

Planning Board

Fred I. Bolton — Term expires February 1954
William E. Park — Term expires February 1955
Fred A. Holton — Term expires February 1956
F. Wilton Dean — Term expires February 1957
George M. Leonard — Term expires February 1958

Accountant

Helen M. Stearns — Term expires July 1955

Chief of Fire Department

Dwight P. Stearns — Term expires 1954

Forest Fire Warden

Andrew Gray—resigned — Term expires 1954
Dwight P. Stearns—appointed — Term expires 1954

Deputy Fire Wardens for 1953

Clifford L. Bolton, Dwight P. Stearns, Carlton W. Holton
Laurence M. Hammond, Edward C. Bolton
Hermon B. Fisher, Charles R. Browning
Winthrop W. Sanderson

Superintendent of Roads

Kenneth L. Miller — Term expires April 1954

Gypsy Moth Agent

Frank W. Anderson — Term expires 1954

Public Weighers for 1953

George O. Dunnell, Burton Kelley, Roy A. Barrows
Clarence H. Spaulding, F. Myron Dunnell
Fred B. Kelley, Leonard W. Stebbins
Dean W. Williams

Inspector of Meat, Provisions and Slaughtering for 1953

Horace W. Bolton

Sealer of Weights and Measures for 1953

Warren A. Randall

Cattle Inspector

Gilbert S. Hammond — Term expires April 1954

Fence Viewers for 1953

Luckey O. Clapp — Carlton W. Holton
Laurence M. Hammond

Surveyors of Wood and Timber for 1953

James E. Dresser — Fred I. Bolton

Field Drivers for 1953

Norman Randall — Eugene L. Hammond
Ralph Miller

Dog Officer for 1953

Gilbert S. Hammond

Pound Keeper for 1953

Dr. George A. Bronson

Registrars of Voters

Edward F. Hurley	Term expires 1954
Charles D. Streeter	Term expires 1955
Laurence M. Hammond	Term expires 1956

Josephine S. Haskell

Finance Committee

A. Gordon Moody	Term expires February 1954
Ross L. Spencer	Term expires February 1954
Dorothy L. Miller	Term expires February 1955
William E. Park	Term expires February 1955
Roger M. Greenwood	Term expires February 1956
Ellwyn E. Miller	Term expires February 1956

Election Officers for 1953

James R. Dale — Helen M. Stearns
Katherine E. Callaghan — Ralph B. Holton
Flora C. Abbey — Frank W. Anderson
Edna Bistrek — Daisy R. Holton

Substitutes for 1953

Willis K. Parker — Helen Greene
Harrison G. Stacy — Mary G. Parker

SELECTMEN'S REPORT

The Selectmen of the Town of Northfield submit the following reports of the various departments for the past year ending December 31, 1953.

Road work has been confined mostly to routine channels, with nothing of especial significance to report.

A full accounting of the work of the several departments will be found on the following pages.

Respectfully submitted,

ERNEST A. PARKER
LUMAN A. BARBER
WILLIAM M. MARSHALL
Selectmen.

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

It is extremely important that the Vital Statistics record be complete and correct. If any errors or omissions are discovered the Clerk will deem it a favor to have them reported at once so that corrections may be made.

As required by Chapter 46, Section 15, General Laws of Massachusetts:

Notice is hereby given that the Town Clerk will furnish blanks for returns of births to parents, householders, physicians, and registered hospital officers applying for the same.

Births Recorded in 1953

Name	*Parents*
1952	
—December	
15—Vielmetti, Timothy George	Jacob E. and Marion B.
30—Bettis, Terry Rodney	Rodney E. and Virginia M.
1953	
—January	
5—Fritz, Elizabeth Anne	Martin G. and Sophie H.
12—Barber, Steven Jay	Julian S. and Helen V.
26—Svetaka, Marjorie May	Vincent A. and Helen A.

Name	*Parents*
—February	
7—Brown, Beatrice Ann	Joseph and Geraldine
8—Plotczyk, Michael Stephen	Valentine P. and Esther J.
—March	
7—Morgan, Kathleen Louise	Edmond M. and Rua L.
9—Given, Gregory Kenneth	Sidney H., Jr. and Phyllis E.
—April	
16—Jones, Katherine Hale	Douglas A. and Martha
22—Callaghan, Frances Elizabeth	James I. and Virginia M.
—May	
6—Woods, Carlton Magoun III	Carlton M., Jr. and Nancy
7—Black, Brenda Lee	John H. and Sacca L.
9—Hale, Cheryl Ann	James E. and Doris E.
16—Kimball, Marjorie Helen	Norman D. and Hazel
19—Clark, Kathleen Mary	Walter R., Jr. and Genevieve
26—Thompson, Sheila Diane	Robert T. and Florence A.
—June	
1—Chapin, Mary	Robert R. and Mary M.
12—Johnson, Hannah Duston	Robert F. and Abigail C. C.
20—Randall, Jonathan Wayne	Lawrence H. and Lois M.
—July	
11—Huber, Richard Gilman, Jr.	Richard G. and Portia M.
14—Perry, Ernest Mark	Robert J. and Blanche V.
26—Williams, Martha Jane	Howard E. and Edith L.
—August	
8—Bolton, Donald George	Arthur H., Jr. and Elizabeth
12—Clough, Pamela Helen	Charles R. and Helen E.
13—Dunnell, Floyd Myron III	Floyd M. and Shirley
19—St. Clair, Jonothan Charles	Robert M. and Elizabeth R.
26—Dembek, Edward John	John S. and Alice R.
—September	
7—Abbey, Kathleen Eva	Donald H. and Evelyn
21—Wilson, Linda Bartha	Frederick W. and Bertha
30—Goodnow, Douglas Gene	Robert L. and Jeanne
—October	
4—Page, Diane Jean	Bert P. and Ellen O.
10—Browning, Sheila Rae	Herman W. and Bertha B.
20—Higgins, Diane	Thomas C., Jr. and Millicent A.
20—Fisher, Constance Ann	Erwin C. and Shirley M.
25—Hartwell, Lou Ann	Harold E., Jr. and Rachel G.
27—McCassie, Roxanne Marie	Elbert W. and Ruth M.

Name	Parents
—November	
3—Smolen, Nancy Lee	Joseph and Edith M.
6—Miller, Donald Edward	Ralph E. and Jean
12—Boliski, Helen	Edward P. and Angela
12—Hartwell, Sandra Jean	Robert H. and Ruth
17—Stearns, Bonnie Lou	Dwight P. and Norma A.
—December	
1—Williams, Kenneth Bruce	Earl R. and Edith E.
8—Hopkins, Christopher Lowell	Charles L., Jr. and Violet M.

Marriages Recorded in 1953

Date	Names	Residence	Place of Marriage
January			
3—	Addison, John Robert	Northfield, Mass.	
	Kirk, Emily Loveland	Northfield, Mass.	
			Northfield, Mass.
February			
8—	Truesdell, Richard Rollin	Leverett, Mass.	
	Brotherton, Dollie Evelyn	Amherst, Mass.	
			Northfield, Mass.
16—	Winship, Ronald William	Farley, Erving	
	Fisher, Joan Agnes	Northfield, Mass.	
			Erving, Mass.
March			
1—	Dwight, David Anson	Northfield, Mass.	
	Deane, Mildred Louise	Bernardston, Mass.	
			Bernardston, Mass.
9—	Collis, Raymond Holly	Greenfield, Mass.	
	McIntire, Edith Mary	Northfield, Mass.	
			Montague, Mass. (Turners Falls)
23—	Phelps, Robert Seaver	Northfield, Mass.	
	Hale, Barbara Louise	Greenfield, Mass.	
			Montague, Mass. (Turners Falls)
April			
11—	Dembek, John Stanley	Northfield, Mass.	
	Grimes, Alice Rose	Chesterfield, N. H.	
			Montague, Mass. (Turners Falls)
May			
30—	Shattuck, William Ashley, Jr.	Greenfield, Mass.	
	Streeter, Muriel Jeane	Vernon, Vt.	Northfield, Mass.

Date	*Names*	*Residence*	*Place of Marriage*
June			
13—	Barton, Arthur George	Fort Lee, N. J.	
	Allen, Vera Caroline	Northfield, Mass.	
			Northfield, Mass.
19—	Campbell, Thomas Forrest	Gill, Mass.	
	Hutchinson, Eleanor Lillian	Northfield, Mass.	
			Northfield, Mass.
20—	Roberts, Harvey Anthony, Jr.	No. Attleborough, Mass.	
	Turner, Marilyn Louise	Northfield, Mass.	
			No. Attleborough, Mass.
20—	Turner, Myron John	Ashland, Maine	
	Berlind, Anne Elizabeth	Northfield, Mass.	
			Northfield, Mass.
July			
18—	Whitney, Warren Ernest	Northfield, Mass.	
	Hartford, Phyllis Audrey	Northfield, Mass.	
			Northfield, Mass.
August			
1—	Perez, Kenneth Lee	Westfield, Mass.	
	Chapin, Patricia Elizabeth	Northfield, Mass.	
			Northfield, Mass.
15—	Pettengill, John C.	Greenfield, Mass.	
	Gillespie, Carroll Packard	Northfield, Mass.	
			Northfield, Mass.
22—	Dyer, George Blanding	Greenfield, Mass.	
	Spencer, Janet Elizabeth	Northfield, Mass.	
			Northfield, Mass.
September			
12—	Jones, Alva Merle	Northfield, Mass.	
	Gerrish, Fredecia Gale	Bernardston, Mass.	
			Bernardston, Mass.
19—	Guerin, Alfred Lawrence	Hinsdale, N. H.	
	Slocum, Harriett Emily	Hinsdale, N. H.	
			Northfield, Mass.
October			
31—	Wright, Kermit	Hartford, Conn.	
	Barber, Marian	Northfield, Mass.	
			Brattleboro, Vt.
November			
22—	Sayer, John Bradford	Greenfield, Mass.	
	Allen, Hazel Dolores	Greenfield, Mass.	
			Northfield, Mass.

Deaths Recorded in 1953

Date	*Name*	*Age-Years*	*Months*	*Days*
1952				
December				
3	Dollard, Vera	62	8	5
4	Miller, William Davis	73	10	1
1953				
January				
4	Smolen, Frank	69	5	18
11	Chutter, Frances Elizabeth Harriet	81	8	6
11	Horr, Jennie Mable	80	4	11
20	Smolen, Stanislaus John	35	7	29
26	Shaw, Frances Van Hoesen	86	—	—
31	Tanski, Frederick William	62	10	—
Feburary				
2	Tomkins, Lottie A. Young	81	7	15
14	Perry, Agnes O'Kane	76	2	4
21	Norwich, Rose Florence March	84	7	18
27	O'Hara, Peter	82	10	26
March				
4	Ellis, Alwina Magdeline Haigis	85	11	28
5	Whittier, Arthur B.	83	6	24
9	Vorce, Martin Everett	76	11	12
10	Golak, John	79	—	—
14	Carter, Rose Forsha	84	4	24
April				
24	Huber, Max W.	90	2	27
May				
4	Hutchinson, Delbert Lewis	73	—	16
10	Willey, Albert Alonzo	75	10	15
15	Meany, Sarah Elizabeth Ward	88	7	5
15	Payne, Catherine	48	—	—
18	Merrifield, Fred Silas	88	10	14
June				
4	Collier, Lucy Ellen Beard	62	10	14
July				
15	Waite, Walter Howard	86	5	16
August				
3	Curtis, Ruel Austin	70	6	1
13	Blodgett, Ernest Chester	85	11	5
17	Reed, Spencer A.	70	11	7
17	Erb, John Rhoads	81	8	19

Date	Name	Age-Years	Months	Days
26	Burgess, Josie M. Goodell	76	9	13
31	Barrows, Walter Levi	85	—	6
September				
11	Webster, Josephine Alexander	83	11	22
October				
1	Fisher, Otis Simon	71	10	16
4	Bronson, George Arthur	82	1	12
27	Field, Mary Means	68	9	8
November				
2	Whitaker, Winfred Hersey	78	4	24
December				
14	Waite, Lucy A. Hammond	86	6	22
29	Kidder, Minnie Putnam	77	10	22

Dogs Licensed in 1953

Male Dogs	176
Female	26
Female (Spayed)	88
Special Kennel ($10)	8
Military	3
Transfers	0
	301

Sporting Licenses Issued in 1953

Resident Fishing	94
Resident Hunting	123
Resident Sporting	84
Resident Minor Fishing	32
Resident Women's Fishing	48
Spec. Non-Resident Fishing	15
Non-Resident Fishing	19
Non-Resident Minor Fishing	3
Resident Alien Fishing	1
Resident Trapping	1
Non-Resident Hunting	7
Resident Sporting (Free)	30
Resident Military (Free)	7
Duplicate	2
Old Age Fishing	2
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Copy of the Votes taken on Articles in the Warrant for the Annual Town Meeting, February 2, 1953

Town Election

Four hundred and fifty-six votes were cast for the election of Town Officers with the following results:

Town Clerk, 1 year	Josephine S. Haskell	442
Town Treasurer, 1 year	Charles F. Slate	439
Selectman, 3 years	William M. Marshall	237
	George H. Sheldon	212
Assessor, 3 years	Clifford A. Field	307
	Winthrop E. Spencer	140
Moderator, 1 year	Edgar J. Livingston	321
	Charles Michael Repeta	124
School Committee, 3 years	Robert R. Chapin	186
	Irving J. Lawrence	259
Library Trustees, 3 years	Luman A. Barber	401
	Louise R. Reeves	372
Library Trustee, 2 years, to fill vacancy	Gwendolyn O. Leavis	424
Cemetery Commissioner, 3 years	David G. Quinn	437
Tree Warden, 1 year	Frank W. Anderson	415
Tax Collector, 1 year	Roy J. Fish	410
Constables at large, 1 year	Paul E. Chamberlin	422
	Joseph G. Morgan	409
	Martin E. Vorce	415
Constable, Northfield Farms Resident, 1 year	Murray M. Hammond	424
Planning Board Member, 5 years	George M. Leonard	403

The polls were closed at 8 o'clock; the ballots sorted and counted and the results announced.

The meeting was then closed to be reopened according to the warrant on Tuesday, February 3, 1953 at 7 o'clock.

JOSEPHINE S. HASKELL,
Town Clerk.

Copy of the Votes taken February 3, 1953 on the Articles in the Warrant for the Annual Town Meeting

Article 1. Voted: That the reports of the Town Officers be accepted as printed in the Town Report.

Article 2. Voted: That the Town authorize the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time, in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1953, and to issue a note or notes thereof, payable within one year, and to renew such note or notes as may be given for a

period of less than one year, in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44, General Laws; any debt or debts incurred under this vote to be paid from the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1953.

Article 3. Voted: To empower the Selectmen to defend the Town in any suit brought against the Town.

Article 4. Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of $150.00 for the use of the library at Northfield Farms.

Article 5. Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of $650.00 to be used by the Tree Warden in the care and preservation of shade trees.

Article 6. Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of $4,986.00 for lighting the streets.

Article 7. Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of $200.00 for tools for highway work.

Article 8. Voted: To fix the salary and compensation of all elective officers of the Town as provided by Section 108 of Chapter 41, General Laws, as amended, as follows.

Selectmen and Welfare Boards:

Chairman of the Board	$325.	$75	Town Moderator	$ 15.00
Second Member	275.	75	Treasurer	900.00
Third Member	275.	75	Tax Collector	750.00
			Town Clerk	500.00

Assessors:		School Committee:	
First Member	$250.	Chairman	$100.00
Second Member	250.	Second Member	100.00
Third Member	250.	Third Member	100.00

Article 9. Voted: To raise and appropriate the following sums of money necessary for salaries and other Town Charges.

Selectmen's & Welfare Board Salary	$ 1,100.	Town Accountant's Expense a/c	75.
Selectmen's Expense a/c	250.	Sealer Weights & Measures	150.
Assessors' Salary	750.	Sealer Weights & Measures Expense a/c	25.
Assessors' Expense a/c	225.	Inspection of Animals	175.
Treasurer's Salary	900.	Dog Officer & Expense	150.
Treasurer's Expense a/c	350.	Inspection Meat & Slaughtering	50.
Tax Collector's Salary	750.	Public Health	1,000.
Tax Collector's Expense a/c	500.	Schools	92,794.
Town Clerk's Salary	500.	Fire Department	2,500.
Town Clerk's Expense a/c	80.	Maintenance Water Holes	400.
School Committee Salary	300.	Alexander Hall	$ 175.
Town Moderator's Salary	15.	Old Age Assistance	40,000.
Town Accountant's Salary	950.		

Aid to Dependent Children	6,000.
General Relief	3,000.
Disability Assistance	4,000.
Public Welfare Adm.	2,500.
Soldiers' Relief	3,500.
Machinery Mtnce. a/c (Tr. from Rd. Mach. Fd.)	6,000.
Bridges	3,000.
Election & Registration	900.
Fire & Casualty Ins.	2,500.
Interest Account	200.
Town Hall Care	4,800.
Legal Expenses	250.
Damages	200.
Town Clock & Fountain	150.
Town Reports	700.
Snow Removal	6,500.
Public Safety	25.
Protection Tax Title	25.
Highway Bounds Surveys and Plans	100.
Wire Inspector & Exp.	50.

Article 10. Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of $4,800.00 for the operation of Dickinson Memorial Library, this sum to include the fees collected, and the dog tax.

Article 11. Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of $300.00 for Civil Defense purposes, the same to be expended under the direction of the Selectmen and the Civil Defense Committee.

Article 12. Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of $850.00 to be used in the extermination of the Gypsy Moth.

Article 13. Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of $600.00 to be used by the Gypsy Moth Agent for the removal of dead wood and spraying the Town elms to combat Dutch Elm disease.

Article 14. Voted: To authorize the Assessors to appoint one of their members as clerk of the Board, and that the salary be $500.00 in accordance with Section 4A, Chapter 41, General Laws, and to raise and appropriate the sum of $500.00 for same.

Article 15. Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of $2,550.00 for the salary of a Public Health Nurse and substitute Nurse.

Article 16. Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of $75.00 for the Public Health Nurse's expense account.

Article 17. Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of $550.00 for the expense of the Public Health Nurse's car.

Article 18. Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of $1,125.00 for the care and preservation of cemeteries.

Article 19. Voted: That the Town shall authorize the Selectmen to enter into contract with the Board of Public Works, Division of Highways, for the repair and improvement of roads and highways exclusive of state highways, and raise and appropriate the sum of $4,875.00 to meet the Town's share of the cost of Chapter 81 highway repairs and improvements, and the sum of $17,875.00 to be transferred from unappropriated, available funds in the treasury to meet the state's share of the cost of the work, the reimbursement from the state to be restored upon its receipt to the unappropriated, available funds in the treasury.

Article 20. Voted: That the Town shall raise and appropriate the sum of $2,000.00 to meet the Town's share of the Chapter 90 highway construction, and that in addition the sum of $6,000.00 be transferred from unappropriated, available funds in the treasury, to meet the state and county's share of the cost of the work, the reimbursement from the state and county to be restored upon its receipt to unappropriated, available funds in the treasury. This appropriation to be used on the Gulf Road.

Article 21. Voted: That the Town shall raise and appropriate the sum of $750.00 to meet the Town's share of Chapter 90 highway maintenance, and in addition the sum of $1,500.00 to be transferred from unappropriated, available funds in the treasury to meet the state and county's share of the cost of the work, the reimbursement from the state and county to be restored upon its receipt to unappropriated, available funds in the treasury.

Article 22. Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of $900.00 to be used in putting up railing.

Article 23. Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of $1,000.00 to repair sidewalks.

Article 24. Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of $500.00 for Constables' pay and expense.

Article 25. Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of $240.00 to be expended under the direction of the Northfield Post of the American Legion and the Northfield Post of the Veterans of the Foreign Wars for the purpose of celebrating Memorial Day.

Article 26. Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of $400.00 for hydrant service for sixteen hydrants to be paid to the Northfield Water Co. for water supplying the hydrants for fire protection.

Article 27. Voted: To receive the report of the committee appointed under Article 27 of the 1952 annual meeting to make recommendations regarding a new fire station, fire fighting equipment, and town garage, and that the committee be discharged with thanks.

Article 28 Voted: That the Town authorize the committee having served this last year to get sufficient revision of the plans to offer to the town a proposal for a fire house alone and offer to the town such alternate plan and alternate location at a special town meeting called for the purpose within three months from this date, and that the town raise and appropriate $200.00 for the expense of the committee.

Article 29. Voted: That the Town do transfer from Surplus Revenue the sum of $17,000.00 for the purchase of a custom made fire truck, and that we keep the present Buffalo truck, and that the purchase of the new truck be deferred until such time as proper housing facilities may be available at the time of delivery.

Article 30. Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of $450.00 to be used for the purchase of a portable pump for the use of the Fire Department.

Article 31. Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of $200.00 to be used in the purchase of fish to be liberated in streams in the Town of Northfield under the supervision of the Selectmen.

Article 32. Voted: To instruct the Moderator to appoint a committee of five members, to include one member from each of the Veterans' organizations, to investigate the erection of a permanent war memorial; this committee to report at a later Town meeting.

Article 33. Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of $24.00 to install a street light on Myrtle Street.

Article 34. Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of $144.00 to erect and maintain street lights on Beers Plain Road, at the proper intervals between the Maple Street intersection and the residence of Willis Parker.

Article 35. Voted: To transfer the sum of $250.00 from the Cemetery Lots fund for grading in the Northfield Farms Cemetery.

Article 36. Voted: To transfer from the Cemetery Lots fund the sum of $300.00 to start a filing system of the cemetery lots in the Town of Northfield.

Article 37. Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of $300.00 to meet foreclosure costs on tax titles.

Article 38. Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of $400.00 for the care of the playground and athletic field, this sum to be expended, $200.00 for maintenance, and $200.00 for improvement, under the supervision of the School Committee.

Article 39. Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of $700.00 to maintain state-aided vocational education in accordance with the provisions of Section 14 of Chapter 74, General Laws.

Article 40. Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of $200.00 to be expended under the direction of the Selectmen, for cutting brush or any emergency work which may be necessary during the winter months.

Article 41. Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of $1,100.00 to be used in making repairs on discontinued school buildings.

Article 42. Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of $308.76 for payment of Alfred Holton's 1950 bill against the town, and the Town of Orange's 1952 bill of $115.00 against the town.

This vote was unanimous.

It was voted unanimously to consider Articles 43 through 47 collectively, and under this vote it was voted under Article 43.

Article 43. To accept the sum of $100.00 from Emma A. Haltnorth estate as a trust fund, the interest thereof to be used for perpetual care of lot number A26 in Center Cemetery.

Article 44. To accept the sum of $200.00 from Mr. Louis M. Potts as a trust fund, the interest thereof to be used for perpetual care of lot number 40 in Center Cemetery.

Article 45. To accept the sum of $50.00 from Jane E. Evans as a trust fund, the interest thereof to be used for perpetual care of lot of Mrs. Alfred Evans number 94½ in West Northfield Cemetery.

Article 46. To accept the sum of $100.00 as a trust fund, the interest thereof to be used for perpetual care of lot number 41½, deeded to Nelson and Nettie Spring, in the Center Cemetery.

Article 47. To accept the sum of $100.00 from James Browning and Robert Washer as a trust fund, the interest to be used for perpetual care of lot number 80½ in Northfield Farms Cemetery.

Article 48. Voted: To transfer from Overlay Reserve the sum of $4,000.00 for a reserve fund for the current year.

Article 49. Voted: To transfer the sum of $20,000.00 from Surplus Revenue to reduce the tax rate.

Article 50. Voted: That the Town discontinue as a town way any part of the South Mountain Road, so-called, which lies outside of the boundary lines of the relocation of said road made by the County Commissioners for the County of Franklin on November 18, 1952, and extending from the 1934 relocation and the four corners at the Old Wendell Road. It is not intended by this vote to discontinue that part of the South Mountain Road which lies easterly of the Old Wendell Road.

During the consideration of the articles 27 and 28, an unofficial expression of preference for the building, and the location of same, was taken by show of hands, and it was practically unanimous that the preference was for a fire station alone without town garage, and the location be the old Center School location.

The meeting was dissolved.

Attest: JOSEPHINE S. HASKELL,
Town Clerk

Copy of the Votes taken on Articles in Warrant May 4, 1953 Special Town Meeting

Article 1. Voted: That the interim report of the War Memorial Committee be received and the Committee be continued to consider further the matter of a permanent war memorial and to make a further report at a later town meeting.

Article 2. Voted: That the Town authorize the War Memorial Committee to remove the temporary World War II honor roll and direct the Committee to do so before the 30th of this current month, and to place that part of the honor roll containing the names of veterans, together with any other parts of the structure that the Committee may find suitable for preservation, in the Northfield Historical Society Building.

Article 3. Voted: That the Town transfer from available funds the sum of $75.00 for the use of the War Memorial Committee in pre-

paring the final list of names for a permanent World War II memorial; for preparing material for presentation at a future town meeting; and for any other incidental expense in connection with its work.

Article 4. Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of $500.00 to be used for aerial spraying of Gypsy Moth.

Article 5. Voted: To receive the report of the Fire House Committee and place the same on file.

Article 6. Voted: That the Town choose the old Center School site for the location of the proposed new fire house, and the possible facilities to house the town trucks.

Article 7. Voted: That the Town appropriate a sum not to exceed $65,000.00 for the construction of a new fire station and town garage on the old Center School location, according to the plans submitted at the Annual Town Meeting by the Fire House Committee, and in order to furnish this sum so appropriated, that there be raised by taxation the sum of $5,000.00 and that the Treasurer be and hereby is authorized on behalf of the town to borrow the balance and to issue bonds or notes of the town therefor payable in not more than twenty years, signed by the Treasurer and countersigned by the Selectmen, all in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 44, of the General Laws, as amended.

A paper ballot was taken with this result,

Yes, 127; No, 36; Total, 163. Necessary to carry the motion a yes vote of 109, therefore the vote was carried.

(The above motion was made and voted upon by paper ballot and lost by a vote of 104 to 72 total 176. A two-thirds vote being required, it was lost.

Upon motion duly seconded it was voted to reconsider the article and a new vote was taken with the above results.)

Voted: That a committee of five be appointed to serve as a Building Committee consisting of one Selectman, one Fireman, one member of the Planning Board, one member of the Old Fire House Committee, and one citizen with knowledge of construction.

Voted: That the Fire House Committee be discharged with a unanimous expression of deep appreciation for the work done by the committee. Meeting was dissolved.

JOSEPHINE S. HASKELL

Copy of the Votes taken on the Articles in the Warrant at the Special Nov. 19, 1953, Town Meeting

Article 1. Voted: That the report of the Northfield School Building Survey Committee be received and placed on file and that the Committee be discharged with thanks for their thorough study and complete report.

This report was given in full by the chairman, Robert P. Barnes, and by vote of those assembled a period of questions and answers was held previous to the vote on the article.

Article 2. Voted: That the Town instruct the Moderator to appoint three persons, one of whom shall be a member of the School Committee, to serve on a special unpaid board to be known as the Regional School District Planning Board for Northfield, Bernardston, and any other town in School Union #21, all in accordance with sections 14-16 of Chapter 71 of the General Laws as amended by Chapter 638 of the Acts of 1949 and that the sum of $300.00 be transferred from available funds for the expense of this Committee.

Upon motion duly seconded it was voted that Articles 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 be passed over. The vote was unanimous.

Article 8. Voted: That the Town appropriate from Surplus Revenue account the sum of $1,500.00 to be added to the Snow Removal account.

The meeting was dissolved.

The estimated attendance was 300 persons.

JOSEPHINE S. HASKELL,
Town Clerk

JURY LIST

Anderson, Albert J.
Andrew, Milford B.
Barber, Julian S.
Barnes, Leonard W.
Bolton, Edward C.
Buffum, Gordon C.
Clark, Ernest A.
Fuller, Frank S.
Gaida, Stanley H.
Given, Sidney H., Sr.
Stange, Wallace E.
Holloway, Harry J.
Hyde, Walter W.
Lanphear, Marshall R.
Lawrence, Charles
Livernoise, Ralph S.
Mayberry, Paul M.
Miller, Carroll H.
Randall, Warren A.
Scanlon, Charles M.
Spencer, Ross L., Jr.
Stacy, Gilbert H.
Stone, Niles E.
Thompson, Paul B.
Ware, Verne C.
Young, William J.

TOWN TREASURER'S REPORT

January 1, 1953 to December 31, 1953

Balance January 1, 1953		$123,343.00	
Receipts for year 1953		280,335.92	
			$403,678.92
Payments per Warrants		$309,326.08	
Cash on hand December 31	$ 367.09		
Franklin County Trust Co.	93,985.75		
		$ 94,352.84	
			$403,678.92

Franklin County Trust Company of Greenfield

Balance December 31, 1953 per Statement		$113,505.54
Outstanding Checks December 31, 1953 per list	$ 19,519.79	
Balance December 31, 1953 per check book	93,985.75	
		$113,505.54

Franklin County Retirement System

Balance January 1, 1953	$ 245.80	
Amount collected from members in 1953	1,456.92	
		$ 1,702.72
Payments to County Retirement Board in 1953	$ 1,509.49	
Balance December 31, 1953 in Treasury	193.23	
		$ 1,702.72

Withholding Tax Statement

Balance on hand January 1, 1953	$ 982.05	
Withholding deducted in 1953	11,336.90	
		$ 12,318.95
Paid to Collector of Internal Revenue	$ 11,266.45	
Balance December 31, 1953 in Treasury	1,052.50	
		$ 12,318.95

Blue Cross and Blue Shield

Deductions from members in 1953	$ 1,176.25
Paid to Massachusetts Hospital Service	$ 1,176.25

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES F. SLATE,
Treasurer.

Treasurer's Report of Trust Funds

Edward D. Priest and Others — West Northfield Cemetery Funds

	Savings Deposits	*Securities*	*Total*
On hand January 1, 1953	$ 3,370.00	$ 4,000.00	$ 7,370.00
On hand December 31, 1953	3,370.00	4,000.00	7,370.00
Receipts of Interest		222.58	

J. W. Cowles Cemetery Fund

	Savings Deposits	*Securities*	*Total*
On hand January 1, 1953	$ 2,000.00		$ 2,000.00
On hand December 31, 1953	2,000.00		2,000.00
Receipts of Interest		55.38	

Calvin Stearns Center Cemetery Fund

	Savings Deposits	*Securities*	*Total*
On hand January 1, 1953	$ 500.00		$ 500.00
On hand December 31, 1953	500.00		500.00
Receipts of Interest		13.84	

Belcher Center School Fund

	Savings Deposits	*Securities*	*Total*
On hand January 1, 1953	$ 1,050.00	$ 200.00	$ 1,250.00
On hand December 31, 1953	1,050.00	200.00	1,250.00
Receipts		31.56	

Belcher Center Cemetery Fund

	Savings Deposits	*Securities*	*Total*
On hand January 1, 1953	$ 1,000.00	$ 1,000.00	$ 2,000.00
On hand December 31, 1953	1,000.00	1,000.00	2,000.00
Receipts of Interest		55.18	

Lottie Evans Worthy Poor Fund

	Savings Deposits	*Securities*	*Total*
On hand January 1, 1953	$ 836.44		$ 836.44
On hand December 31, 1953	858.52		858.52
Receipts of Interest added to account		22.08	

George F. Morgan Charity Fund

	Savings Deposits	*Securities*	*Total*
On hand January 1, 1953	$ 3,000.00		$ 3,000.00
On hand December 31, 1953	3,000.00		3,000.00
Receipts of Interest		83.06	

Surplus Revenue School Fund

	Savings Deposits	*Securities*	*Total*
On hand January 1, 1953	$ 1,600.00		$ 1,600.00
On hand December 31, 1953	1,600.00		1,600.00
Receipts of Interest		42.27	

Belcher Library Fund

	Savings Deposits	*Securities*	*Total*
On hand January 1, 1953	$ 9,439.01	$ 300.00	$ 9,739.01
On hand December 31, 1953	9,439.01	300.00	9,739.01
Receipts of Interest		258.62	

Charles P. Dickinson Library Book Fund

	Savings Deposits	*Securities*	*Total*
On hand January 1, 1953	$ 3,000.00		$ 3,000.00
On hand December 31, 1953	3,000.00		3,000.00
Receipts of Interest		75.46	

Mary H. Callender Mt. Hermon Cemetery Fund

	Savings Deposits	*Securities*	*Total*
On hand January 1, 1953	$ 500.00		$ 500.00
On hand December 31, 1953	500.00		500.00
Receipts of Interest		13.84	

Post War Rehabilitation Fund

	Savings Deposits	*Securities*	*Total*
On hand January 1, 1953	$ 2,310.14	$ 10,000.00	$ 12,310.14
Receipts of Interest on Securities	250.00		
Receipts of Interest on Sav. Dep.	61.83		
On hand December 31, 1953	2,621.97	10,000.00	12,621.97

Roselle Evans Worthy Poor Fund

	Savings Deposits	*Securities*	*Total*
On hand January 1, 1953	$ 500.00		$ 500.00
On hand December 31, 1953	500.00		500.00
Receipts of Interest		13.84	

Maude Montague Library Fund

	Savings Deposits	*Securities*	*Total*
On hand January 1, 1953		$ 2,000.00	$ 2,000.00
On hand December 31, 1953		2,000.00	2,000.00
Receipts of Interest		50.00	

Cemetery Perpetual Care Funds

	Savings Deposits	*Securities*	*Total*
On hand January 1, 1953	$ 14,014.75		$ 14,014.75
On hand December 31, 1953	14,514.75		14,514.75
Receipts of Interest	375.73		
Bequests	500.00		
		$ 875.73	
Deposited in Savings Bank	500.00		
Interest transferred to Town	375.73		
		$ 875.73	

LIST OF CEMETERY PERPETUAL CARE FUNDS

South Mountain Cemetery

Alice J. Bigelow	$100.00

West Northfield Cemetery

Cecil Wilson	$100.00
Caroline B. Lane	150.00
George W. Snow	200.00
Henry M. Yerrington	100.00
Pennock Fund	100.00
Cora Preston and Pitts W. Preston	100.00
S. E. K. Priest	200.00
George F. Witt	100.00
Jane E. Evans	50.00

Mount Hermon Cemetery

Henry F. Cutler	$100.00
L. L. Drury	100.00
Horace F. Holton	100.00
Alice V. Watson	150.00
Anna Bell McMillan	100.00
Charles T. Sibley	200.00
Lewis Hodus	200.00
Roy R. Hatch	100.00
Joseph Castogue	100.00

Northfield Farms Cemetery

Leroy Weatherhead	$ 75.00
Oscar and Frank V. Wood	50.00
Rufus Stratton and Oren Darling	150.00
William H. Stratton	100.00
Asahel and Alner Sawyer	100.00
Elisha and Elihu Stratton	200.00
Samuel A. Holton	200.00
Brigham Gage and David Clowes	100.00
Samuel Pratt	25.00
James S. Browning	100.00
Nettie E. Gilbert	300.00
George M. Chamberlain	75.00
Ada E. Chamberlain and Sarah J. Morgan	75.00
Charles C. Morgan	100.00
Marcellus D. Stratton	100.00
Elvira A. Morgan	50.00
M. Maria Foss	200.00
Elisa Groves	51.69
Retta R. Barrett	100.00
Fred W. Ruggles	100.00
Inez E. Holton	50.00
Mary A. Stratton	100.00
Ernest C. Field	100.00
L. E. Fisher and Frank and Lucy Ross	50.00
Henry W. Montague	400.00
James and William Merriam	100.00
S. W. and William G. Slate	100.00
Charles L. Gilbert	200.00
Eva J. S. Clough Fund	200.00

Center Cemetery

Augustus W. Holton	$100.00

Carpenter Winchester	100.00
Thomas R. Callender	50.00
John E. Nye	100.00
Clinton A. Ware	150.00
George Hastings and Dr. Stratton White	100.00
Issac Cook and Wright Stratton	100.00
John L. Mattoon	100.00
Sarah E. Minot	150.00
James Pickard	100.00
William R. Moody	100.00
Charles Alexander and Richard Colton	200.00
A. M. D. Alexander	300.00
James White	100.00
Johnson Fund	123.06
Cora Preston and Asa Holton	100.00
George C. Stebbins	50.00
Charles Stebbins	100.00
Levi Fay	150.00
Harvey J. Evans	50.00
Walter D. Crane	100.00
Katherine Gaeng	100.00
Elijar E. Belding	100.00
Elijar Belding	125.00
Lucy M. Webster	500.00
Augustus L. Day	100.00
C. D. Merriam and Cornelius Hilliard	300.00
Rose A. Holton	100.00
Maximilla S. Hatchita	100.00
Elizabeth P. Kraft	100.00
J. Wesley Mann	100.00
Andrew E. and Arthur H. Lyman	400.00
Edward B. Stearns	50.00
B. F. Field and Charles Pomeroy	100.00
Charles Osgood	300.00
Louis F. Bartlett	100.00
Sherman Nye Bartlett	100.00
John F. Rice	100.00
Hezekiah and Elizabeth Stratton	80.00
Hezekiah and Mollie Stratton	80.00
Rufus and Asenath Stratton	80.00
William H. Phelps	200.00
Elizabeth M. Purple	200.00
Sarah Jane Whithead	50.00
Bessie Severance	100.00
Lewis Fowler	50.00
Jassamine W. Polhemus	100.00
Adelaide W. Moody	100.00
Mrs. Norman MacGaffin	50.00
Clara B. Torrey	100.00
Herbert E. Robbins	200.00
Samuel E. Walker	200.00
J. Greenleaf	300.00
M. Margaret Laird	100.00
Albert S. Brigham	100.00
Mary L. Wright	125.00
Charles Blackmer	50.00
M. Bemis and Otis Field	50.00
Alvin Long	50.00
Dorothy P. Bruce	150.00
George and Artemus and Marshall Nye	200.00
Roselle Evans	50.00
Bessie Moore	100.00
Amos Shepardson and Anna S. Preston	150.00
Louis M. Potts	200.00
Emma A. Haltnorth	100.00
Nelson Spring	100.00

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

Taxes For 1951

Outstanding December 31, 1952		$ 5,136.40
Paid to Treasurer	$ 4,925.65	
Abatements	45.00	
Outstanding December 31, 1953	165.75	
		$ 5,136.40

Motor Vehicle Taxes

Outstanding December 31, 1952		$ 744.61
Paid to Treasurer	$ 674.31	
Abatements	70.30	
		$ 744.61

Taxes For 1952

Outstanding December 31, 1952		$ 19,352.44
Paid to Treasurer	$ 15,385.69	
Abatements	8.00	
Outstanding December 31, 1953	3,958.75	
		$ 19,352.44

Motor Vehicle Tax

Outstanding December 31, 1952		$ 2,051.13
Committed January 7, 1953		2,459.69
Total Tax to Collect		$ 4,510.82
Paid to Treasurer	$ 3,562.93	
Abatements	259.20	
Outstanding December 31, 1953	688.69	
		$ 4,310.82

Taxes For 1953
Poll Tax

Committed		$ 1,258.00
Refund		2.00
Total Tax		$ 1,260.00
Paid to Treasurer	$ 900.00	
Abatements	228.00	
Outstanding December 31, 1953	132.00	
		$ 1,260.00

Personal Property

Committed		$ 16,325.44
Paid to Treasurer	$ 14,317.76	
Abatements	6.40	
Outstanding December 31, 1953	2,001.28	
		$ 16,325.44

Real Estate

Commitment		$116,003.71
Paid to Treasurer	$ 46,987.47	
Tax Titles	443.84	
Exemptions	1,363.20	
Outstanding December 31, 1953	67,209.20	
		$116,003.71

Respectfully submitted,

ROY J. FISH,
Collector of Taxes.

Board of Assessors' Report

FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1953

Value of Real Estate		$1,812,448.00
Value of Personal Estate		255,085.00
Rate per $1,000	$ 64.00	
Polls Assessed	626	
Motor Excise Commitment		18,992.83
Number of horses assessed	28	
Number of cattle assessed	991	
Number of fowl assessed	2,500	

Appropriations

Appropriations from Available Funds, Feb. 3, 1953:	
Machinery Maintenance account from Road Machinery fund	$ 6,000.00
Rep. Imp. Rds. & Hghwys. Chap. 81 from Surplus Revenue	17,875.00
Chapter 90 highway construction from Surplus Revenue	6,000.00
Chapter 90 maintenance from Surplus Rev.	1,500.00

Custom Made fire truck from Surplus Revenue	17,000.00
Nfld. Farms Cemetery grading (from Cemetery lots fund)	250.00
Cemetery lots filing system from Cemetery lots fund	300.00
Reserve Fund from overlay reserve	4,000.00

Appropriations from Available Funds, May 4, 1953:

Preparing list for World War Memorial from available funds	75.00

Appropriations to be raised by taxation, Feb. 3, 1953:

Northfield Farms Library	150.00
Tree Warden	650.00
Street Lighting	4,986.00
Highway tools	200.00

Salaries and Town Charges:

Selectmen and Welfare Board salaries	1,100.00
Selectmen's Expense Account	250.00
Assessors' Salaries	750.00
Assessors' Expense Account	225.00
Treasurer's Salary	900.00
Treasurer's Expense Account	350.00
Tax Collector's Salary	750.00
Tax Collector's Expense Account	500.00
Town Clerk's Salary	500.00
Town Clerk's Expense Account	80.00
School Committee Salaries	300.00
Town Moderator's Salary	15.00
Town Accountant's Salary	950.00
Town Accountant's Expense Account	75.00
Sealer Weights & Measures	150.00
Sealer's Expense Account	25.00
Inspection of Animals	175.00
Dog Officer & Expense	150.00
Inspection Meat & Slaughtering	50.00
Public Health	1,000.00
Schools	92,791.00
Fire Department	2,500.00
Maintenance Water Holes	400.00
Alexander Hall	175.00
Old Age Assistance	40,000.00
Aid to Dependent Children	6,000.00

General Relief	3,000.00
Disability Assistance	4,000.00
Public Welfare Administration	2,500.00
Soldiers' Relief	3,500.00
Bridges	3,000.00
Election & Registrations	900.00
Fire & Casualty Insurance	2,500.00
Interest Account	200.00
Town Hall Care	4,800.00
Legal Expenses	250.00
Damages	200.00
Town Clock & Fountain	150.00
Town Reports	700.00
Snow Removal	6,500.00
Public Safety	25.00
Tax Title Protection	25.00
Highway Bounds, Surveys & Plans	100.00
Wire Inspector & Expense	50.00
Dickinson Memorial Library	4,800.00
Civil Defense	300.00
Gypsy Moth Extermination	850.00
Dutch Elm Disease	600.00
Assessors' Clerk Salary	500.00
Public Health Nurse & Substitute	2,550.00
Public Health Nurse's expense account	75.00
Public Health Nurse's Car expense account	550.00
Care & Preservation of Cemeteries	1,125.00
Chapter 81 Highway work	4,875.00
Chapter 90 Construction	2,000.00
Chapter 90 Maintenance	750.00
Railings	900.00
Sidewalk Repairs	1,000.00
Constables' Pay & Expense	500.00
Memorial Day	240.00
Hydrant Service	400.00
Fire House Committee	200.00
Liberation of Fish	200.00
Portable Pump for Fire Dept.	450.00
Street Light, Myrtle Street	24.00
Street Lights, Beers Plain Rd.	144.00
Tax Title Foreclosure Costs	300.00
Playground & Athletic Field	400.00
State Aided Vocational Education	700.00
Emergency Work	200.00

Repairs on Discontinued School Bldgs.	1,100.00	
Payment of Back Bills	423.76	
Appropriations to be Raised by Taxation, May 4, 1953:		
Aerial Spray of Gypsy Moth	500.00	
Fire Station & Town Garage	5,000.00	
Total Appropriations		$273,203.76
Veterans' Service Center		744.49
State Parks & Reservations		226.89
State Audit of Municipal Accounts		860.19
County Tax		8,625.74
County Retirement System		1,057.40
Overlay		6,037.22
Gross Amount to be Raised		$290,755.69

Estimated Receipts & Available Funds

Income Tax	$ 21,923.67	
Corporation Tax	7,738.74	
Reimbursement, State Owned Land	487.32	
Old Age Tax (meals) Chapter 64B, Sec. 10	1,279.24	
Motor Vehicle & Trailer Excise	12,200.00	
Licenses	100.00	
General Government	100.00	
Protection Persons & Property	50.00	
Health & Sanitation	200.00	
Charities (other than Federal Grants for Aid to Dependent Children)	2,000.00	
Old Age Assistance (other than Federal Grants)	26,000.00	
Veterans' Benefits	500.00	
Schools	10,350.00	
Libraries	100.00	
Interest on Taxes	400.00	
County Tax Overestimate (1952)	745.57	
Tax Reduction from Surplus Revenue	20,000.00	
Transfer from Available Funds	53,000.00	
Total Estimated Receipts and Available Funds		$157,174.54
Net Amount to be Raised by Taxation		$133,581.15

Poll Tax	$ 1,252.00	
Personal Property Tax	16,325.44	
Real Estate Tax	116,003.71	
Total Taxes Levied on Polls & Property		$133,581.15

Respectfully submitted,

CLIFFORD A. FIELD,
ERNEST A. PARKER,
Assessors.

Welfare Department Report

Old Age Assistance

No. cases January 1, 1953	69	
No. new cases	4	
No. cases closed	13	
No. cases December 31, 1953	60	
Appropriation	$ 40,000.00	
U. S. Grant carried over	7,491.56	
Cancelled Checks	116.40	
U. S. Grant received during year	23,998.27	
		$ 71,606.23
Expended	$ 57,226.84	
Transferred to Revenue	4,212.58	
U. S. Grant carried to 1954	10,166.81	
		$ 71,606.23

Aid to Dependent Children

No. cases January 1, 1953	5	
No. new cases	3	
No. cases closed	3	
No. cases December 31, 1953	5	
Appropriation	$ 6,000.00	
U. S. Grant carried over	411.27	
U. S. Grant received during year	2,840.03	
		$ 9,251.30
Expended	$ 6,844.59	
Transferred to revenue	1,444.86	
U. S. Grant carried to 1954	961.85	
		$ 9,251.30

Disability Assistance

No. cases January 1, 1953	3	
No. new cases	0	
No. cases closed	0	
No. cases December 31, 1953	3	
Appropriation	$ 4,000.00	
U. S. Grant carried over	327.16	
U. S. Grant received during year	1,470.00	
		$ 5,797.16
Expended	$ 3,500.79	
Transferred to revenue	1,282.31	
U. S. Grant carried to 1954	1,014.06	
		$ 5,797.16

General Relief

No. cases January 1, 1953	5	
No. new cases during year	8	
No. cases closed	9	
No. cases December 31, 1953	4	
Appropriation	$ 3,000.00	
Recoveries or cancelled checks	140.15	
		$ 3,140.15

General Relief Payments (itemized)

Cash to GR recipients	$ 873.17
F. A. Irish, groceries	200.60
IGA Store, groceries	70.72
Center School Lunch Room	20.80
Penney's clothing	25.43
Merit Shoe Store	11.43
Dr. Bennett	3.00
Dr. Dame	19.00
Dr. Dean	117.00
Dr. Flo	24.00
Dr. Stone	62.00
Dr. True	40.00
Dr. Wheeler	66.00
Dr. Woods	5.00
F. M. Dunnell, oil	23.95
Roy Herrick, wood	8.00
Northfield Pharmacy	64.60
Brattleboro Hospital	300.00

Franklin County Hospital		479.18	
Kidder and Co., ambulance		15.00	
Town of Warwick		180.00	
Child care		3.00	
Total expended		$ 2,611.88	
Balance to revenue		528.27	
			$ 3,140.15

Administration

Appropriation		$ 2,500.00	
Transferred from U. S. Grant		497.57	
Federal reimbursement		1,716.57	
			$ 4,714.14
Expended		$ 3,343.26	
Balance to revenue		255.61	
U. S. Grant carried to 1954			
OAA	$ 665.71		
ADC	290.22		
DA	159.34		
		$ 1,115.27	
			$ 4,714.14

Respectfully submitted,

SHIRLEY H. KEHL, Agent
Board of Public Welfare.

TOWN ACCOUNTANT'S REPORT

In compliance with the provisions of Chapter 41 of the General Laws, I submit the following report of the Accountant's Department for the calendar year ending December 31, 1953, including the source of all receipts, detail of appropriations and expenditures, statement of trust funds, and a balance sheet showing the financial condition of the town January 1, 1954.

HELEN M. STEARNS

TREASURER'S RECEIPTS

Taxes 1950:			
Personal Property		$ 5.53	
Real Estate		62.20	
			$ 67.73

Taxes 1951:		
Poll	$ 10.00	
Personal Property	386.70	
Real Estate	4,530.87	
		$ 4,927.57
Taxes 1952:		
Poll	$ 32.00	
Personal Property	1,387.58	
Real Estate	13,966.11	
		$ 15,385.69
Taxes 1953:		
Poll	$ 900.00	
Personal Property	14,317.76	
Real Estate	46,987.47	
		$ 62,205.23
Motor Vehicle and Trailer Excise		
Levy of 1950	2.58	
Levy of 1951	676.86	
Levy of 1952	3,562.66	
Levy of 1953	13,490.15	
		$ 17,732.25
Collector's Costs		$ 127.45
Acct. Rec. General Relief	$ 962.58	
O.A.A.	23,708.51	
A.D.C.	2,727.28	
D.A.	1,815.61	
D.A. Adm.	27.63	
Veteran's Benefits	1,785.88	
Schools	148.80	
		$ 31,176.29
Federal Grants		
O.A.A. Adm.	$ 1,211.23	
O.A.A.	23,998.27	
A.D.C. Adm.	420.41	
A.D.C.	2,840.03	
D.A. Adm.	84.93	
D.A.	1,470.00	
		$ 30,024.87
State:		
Dept. of Agriculture	$ 88.43	
Loss of Taxes	509.24	
English Speaking	6.25	
Income Tax	4,760.44	
Corporation Tax	7,364.48	
Meals Tax	1,389.02	
Tuition	1,711.94	

Transportation	831.70	
School	17,647.48	
State Tax	3,656.19	
		$ 37,965.17
State Aid to Highways		$ 34,956.37
County Aid to Highways		5,499.91
Highway Machinery Earnings		4,492.46
School Lunch Fund		11,983.59
School Athletic Fund		260.50
Dog Licenses		680.20
Federal Taxes Withheld		11,348.00
County Retirement Deductions		1,465.10
Blue Cross and Blue Shield		1,176.25
U.S. Bond Income		250.00
Dog Officer — County		58.50
Wild Cat Bounty		20.00
Rent — Town Hall		321.00
Rent — Alexander Hall		15.00
Interest on Deferred Taxes		822.90
Licenses Granted		137.00
Library Fines		170.50
Nurse's Fees		277.00
Adult Vocational Education Fees		120.00
Surplus Revenue School Fund — Interest		42.27
Broken Dishes		.64
Sealer Weights and Measures Fees		112.20
County Dog Fund		540.46
Smith Hughes Barden Fund		400.00
Refunds and Reimbursements		
Selectmen's Expense	$ .25	
Fire Dept.	16.00	
Nurse's Car Expense	23.50	
General Relief	140.15	
Old Age Assistance	3,284.70	
Schools	320.00	
Soldier's Relief	4.00	
		$ 3,471.80
Trust Funds		$ 500.00
Sale of Cemetery Lots		312.50
Income from Trust Funds		
Elisha Alexander	$ 55.55	
George F. Morgan	83.06	
Roselle A. Evans	13.84	
Belcher Center School	34.06	
Belcher Library	258.62	
Montague Library	50.00	
Dickinson Book	75.46	

P.C. Center, Mt. H. and So. Mt. Cemeteries	378.99	
Calvin Stearns	13.84	
Mary Callender	13.84	
Northfield Farms	85.50	
West Northfield	225.36	
		$ 1,288.12
Total Cash Receipts		$280,334.42
Cash on Hand Jan. 1, 1953		123,343.00
		$403,677.42

EXPENDITURES

Moderator

Appropriation		$ 15.00
Edgar Livingston		15.00

Selectmen and Welfare Board

Appropriation		$ 1,100.00
George Carr	$ 29.00	
Luman Barber	350.00	
Ernest Parker	400.00	
William Marshall	321.00	
		$ 1,100.00

Selectmen's Expense

Appropriation	$ 250.00	
Reimbursement	.25	
		$ 250.25
Mass. Ass'n	$ 25.00	
Franklin Co. Ass'n	6.00	
Recorder Publishing Co.	6.50	
E. A. Parker	21.80	
Hobbs & Warren	3.84	
N. E. Tel. & Tel. Co.	74.45	
	$ 137.59	
Unexpended Balance to Revenue	112.66	
		$ 250.25

Accountant

Appropriation		$ 950.00
Helen Stearns		950.00

Accountant's Expense

Appropriation		$ 75.00
Mass. Ass'n	$ 3.00	
Bookstore	14.00	
Commonwealth Mass.	5.45	

Helen Stearns	45.00	
	$ 67.45	
Unexpended Balance to Revenue	7.55	
		$ 75.00

Legal Expense

Appropriation		$ 250.00
Stoddard Ball & Bartlett	$ 204.54	
Unexpended Balance to Revenue	45.46	
		$ 250.00

Treasurer

Appropriation		$ 900.00
Charles F. Slate		$ 900.00

Treasurer's Expense

Appropriation	$ 350.00	
Reserve Fund	25.83	
		$ 375.83
Mass. Ass'n	$ 2.00	
Baker's, Inc.	1.15	
Demond's	9.75	
Bookstore	55.36	
Todd Co.	27.00	
Colton's Ins. Agency	97.50	
Franklin Co. Trust Co.	59.07	
Postage	124.00	
		$ 375.83

Tax Collector

Appropriation		$ 750.00
Roy J. Fish		$ 750.00

Tax Collector's Expense

Appropriation	$ 500.00	
Reserve Fund	67.31	
		$ 567.31
Mass. Ass'n	$ 2.00	
Roy Fish Ins.	305.87	
Read Shaw Agency	5.00	
Hobbs & Warren	128.80	
Postage	125.64	
		$ 567.31

Assessors and Clerk

Appropriation		$ 1,250.00
Ernest Parker	$ 750.00	
Clifford Field	250.00	
	$ 1,000.00	
Unexpended Balance to Revenue	250.00	
		$ 1,250.00

Assessor's Expense

Appropriation		$ 225.00
Mass. Ass'n	$ 9.00	
Hobbs & Warren	35.22	
The Sautter Co.	24.19	
Burroughs Add. Machine Co.	18.00	
Demonds	20.95	
Stoneham Independent	1.00	
Ernest Parker	83.40	
	$ 191.76	
Unexpended Balance to Revenue	33.24	
		$ 225.00

Town Clerk

Appropriation		$ 500.00
Josephine S. Haskell		$ 500.00

Town Clerk's Expense

Appropriation		$ 80.00
Com. Public Safety	$ .70	
Colton's Ins.	7.50	
Hobbs & Warren	6.82	
Josephine Haskell	41.54	
	$ 56.56	
Unexpended Balance to Revenue	23.44	
		$ 80.00

Election and Registration

Appropriation		$ 900.00
James Dale	$ 13.75	
Edna Bistrek	13.75	
Helen Stearns	13.75	
Katherine Callaghan	13.75	
Daisy Holton	13.75	
Willis Parker	13.75	
Harrison Stacy	13.75	
Flora Abbey	13.75	
Josephine Haskell	85.50	
Charles Streeter	85.50	
Edward Hurley	85.50	
Lawrence Hammond	85.50	
William Hoehn	196.00	
Hobbs & Warren	12.40	
	$ 660.40	
Unexpended Balance to Revenue	239.60	
		$ 900.00

Town Hall

Appropriation		$ 4,800.00
Charles Slate	$ 1,800.00	
Western Mass. Electric Co.	198.78	
C. B. Dolge Co.	125.59	
F. M. Dunnel	1,461.71	
Northfield Water Co.	13.85	
Greenefield Fire Equip. Co.	27.00	
Edward Krysiak	122.50	
Lynch Sports Equip. Co.	206.19	
A. L. Goodrich	14.00	
Leavis & Bolton	73.79	
Edward Bolton	270.00	
Alfred Holton	99.43	
Willis Parker	4.00	
Dwight Stearns	4.00	
Com. Public Safety	35.00	
Henry Hammond	9.85	
Frank Anderson	39.00	
F. A. Irish	25.10	
C. L. Haskell	190.00	
Clark Hardware	6.50	
Miller Harware	131.91	
Hamilton S. Cregar	27.87	
	$ 4,786.07	
Unexpended Balance to Revenue	13.93	
		$ 4,800.00

Constables

Appropriation		$ 500.00
N. E. Tel. & Tel. Co.	$ .20	
Joseph Morgan	176.30	
Martin Vorce	8.00	
Paul Chamberlin	140.45	
Murray Hammond	73.52	
Willis Parker	18.25	
Dean Williams	12.60	
	$ 429.32	
Unexpended Balance to Revenue	70.68	
		$ 500.00

Fire Department

Appropriation	$ 2,500.00	
Reimbursement	16.00	
Reserve Fund	599.21	
		$ 3,115.21

Tri State Mutual Aid	$ 5.00	
W. M. E. Co.	12.84	
N. E. Tel. & Tel. Co.	208.89	
Stearns Garage	299.09	
Morgan Garage	251.27	
Spencer Bros.	2.00	
Bill's Service Sta.	2.75	
G. C. Buffum	3.05	
G. G. Bentley	9.00	
F. M. Dunnell	99.09	
G. L. Merriam Co.	9.60	
Colton's Ins.	153.75	
Miller Hardware	1.73	
Avery's Store	28.17	
Hamilton S. Cregar	8.96	
Lily Dan	17.80	
Northfield Pharmacy	3.12	
Johnson & Johnson	33.25	
Am. La France Foamite Corp.	58.33	
S. T. Hydrant Wrench Co.	15.00	
J. H. Emerson Co.	38.00	
Dwight Stearns — Forest Fire Warden	100.00	
Dwight Stearns	239.50	
Floyd M. Dunnell, Jr.	216.00	
James Dale	58.00	
Alfred Holton	34.00	
Charles Browning	79.00	
Warren Randall	79.00	
Willis Parker	72.00	
Gilbert Stacy	28.00	
Francis Reed	59.00	
Edward Bolton	52.00	
Fred Bolton	22.00	
Clifford Bolton	16.00	
George Lombard	13.00	
Joseph Morgan	55.00	
Winthrop Sanderson	12.00	
Howard Williams	54.00	
Lee Sheldon	5.00	
Roy Barrows	3.00	
Andrew Gray	72.00	
Philip Mann, Jr.	135.00	
David Quinn	110.00	
Sundry Persons	182.00	
Northfieldd School for Girls	30.65	
David G. Deane	128.37	
		$ 3,115.21

Hydrant Service

Appropriation		$ 400.00
Northfield Water Co.		$ 400.00

Water Holes

Appropriation		$ 400.00
Steve Siciak	$ 375.50	
John Hammond	11.87	
Eugene Hammond	5.00	
Dwight Stearns	763	
		$ 400.00

Sites, Plans for Fire Station

Appropriation		$ 200.00
E. A. Hall & Co.	$ 60.00	
Unexpended Balance to Revenue	140.00	
		$ 200.00

Portable Pump for Fire Department

Appropriation		$ 450.00
David Deane	$ 400.00	
Unexpended Balance to Revenue	50.00	
		$ 450.00

Fire Station and Town Garage

Appropriation		$ 5,000.00
James Britton	$ 3,450.00	
F. Deane Avery Associates	153.00	
Gfld. Recorder Gazette	7.50	
	$ 3,610.50	
Unexpended Balance to 1954	1,389.50	
		$ 5,000.00

Public Safety

Appropriation		$ 25.00
Dwight Stearns	$ 15.00	
Unexpended Balance to Revenue	10.00	
		$ 25.00

Wire Inspector

Appropriation		$ 50.00
Unexpended Balance to Revenue		$ 50.00

Sealer Weights and Measures

Appropriation — Salary	$ 150.00	
Appropriation — Expense	25.00	
		$ 175.00
Warren Randall	$ 150.00	
Unexpended Balance to Revenue	25.00	
		$ 175.00

Gypsy Moth

Appropriation		$ 1,350.00
Hinkley Tree Service	$ 300.00	
Aero Crop Service	689.85	
Frank Anderson	236.00	
Orrin Carey	112.00	
	$ 1,337.85	
Unexpended Balance to Revenue	12.15	
		$ 1,350.00

Dutch Elm Disease Control

Appropriation		$ 600.00
Hinkley Tree Service	$ 150.00	
Frank Anderson	312.50	
Orrin Carey	76.25	
Ernest Kenney	61.25	
		$ 600.00

Tree Warden

Appropriation	$ 650.00	
Reserve Fund	15.00	
		$ 665.00
Frank Anderson	$ 595.00	
Ernest Kenney	45.00	
Melvin Miller	15.00	
	$ 655.00	
Unexpended Balance to Reserve	10.00	
		$ 665.00

Dog Officer and Expense

Appropriation		$ 150.00
Gilbert Hammond	$ 108.50	
Recorder Gazette	6.75	
	$ 115.25	
Unexpended Balance to Reserve	34.75	
		$ 150.00

Health

Appropriation	$ 1,000.00	
Reserve Fund	316.45	
		$ 1,316.45
Abalene Exterminating Co.	$ 144.00	
Nfld. Washed Sand & Gravel Co.	111.95	
Kenneth Miller	30.60	
Henry Bassett	9.20	
George Smalley	16.00	

Harold Clough	8.00	
Francis Kenney	8.00	
Merle Jones	8.00	
Robert Strange	8.00	
Steve Siciak	59.50	
Town Truck	40.00	
Hampshire County Sanatorium	547.50	
Town of Greenfield	101.70	
Dr. A. B. True	8.00	
Dr. Cowie	75.00	
Hobbs & Warren	15.25	
Josephine Haskell, Vital Statistics	125.75	
		$ 1,316.45

Nurse and Substitute

Appropriation		$ 2,550.00
Barbara Mankowsky	$ 2,350.00	
Carolyn Holloway	$ 200.00	
		$ 2,550.00

Nurse's Expense

Appropriation		$ 75.00
N. E. Tel & Tel. Co.	$ 21.70	
Nfld. Pharmacy	46.64	
	$ 68.34	
Unexpended Balance to Reserve	6.66	
		$ 75.00

Nurse's Car Expense

Appropriation	$ 550.00	
Reimbursement	23.50	
		$ 573.50
Registration	$ 3.00	
Roy J. Fish	125.73	
Spencer Bros.	230.21	
Stearns Garage	27.19	
Morgan Garage	25.99	
Jordan Motor Sales	29.11	
G. C. Buffum	28.62	
Bill's Service Station	32.36	
	$ 502.21	
Unexpended Balance to Reserve	71.29	
		$ 573.50

Inspection of Animals

Appropriation	$ 175.00	

Reserve Fund	2.23	
		$ 177.23
Gilbert Hammond		$ 177.23

Inspection of Meat and Slaughter

Appropriation		$ 50.00
Horace Bolton		$ 50.00

Machinery Maintenance

Machinery Fund		$ 6,000.00
Spencer Bros.	$ 2,177.18	
Stearns Garage	910.66	
The Northfield	783.13	
Gordon Buffum	613.48	
Morgan Garage	131.83	
James Neigh	183.73	
Brownie's Gulf Station	67.99	
Eugene Miller	75.36	
L. L. Richards	20.14	
George Sheldon, Inc.	34.34	
Colton's Ins.	382.03	
Frank Hance	48.09	
Std. Sign & Signal Co.	21.38	
Unitarian Church Parish	35.00	
Sundry Persons	18.95	
	$ 5,503.29	
Unexpended Balance to Mach. Fund	496.71	
		$ 6,000.00

Tools

Appropriation		$ 200.00
Miller Hardware	$ 42.81	
Hamilton S. Cregar	3.92	
Frank Hance	72.52	
Stanley Johnson	9.06	
	$ 128.31	
Unexpended Balance to Revenue	71.69	
		$ 200.00

Highway Chapter 81

Appropriation		$ 22,750.00
Kenneth Miller	$ 1,443.10	
Henry Bassett	1,161.50	
Frederick Clough	905.05	
Harold Clough	1,036.50	
Ernest Kenney	937.00	

Francis Kenney	547.00	
George Smalley	1,003.00	
Robert Strange	1,042.50	
Ralph Miller	73.00	
Calvin Kenney	16.00	
Floyd Dunnell	7.00	
Kenneth Black	233.00	
Merle Jones	79.00	
Elsworth Black	119.00	
Orrin Carey	475.00	
Town Trucks	2,116.25	
Town Sander, Scraper & Hone	158.90	
American Tar Co.	2,433.21	
N. E. Metal Culvert Co.	1,508.88	
Nfld. Washed Sand & Gravel Co.	2,203.33	
Lake Asphalt & Petroleum Co.	2,210.43	
Mackin Trucking Co.	420.80	
Steve Siciak	364.00	
Herman Fisher	24.00	
Frank Anderson	366.00	
Melvin Miller	1,060.25	
Horace Bolton	456.50	
Robert Shearer	17.50	
Steve Puffer	292.75	
Standard Sign & Signal Co.	30.04	
Town of Gill	7.00	
Kenneth Greene	2.50	
	$ 22,749.99	
Unexpended Balance to Revenue	.01	
		$ 22,750.00

Highway Chapter 90 — Construction

Appropriation		$ 8,000.00
Kenneth Miller	$ 444.70	
Henry Bassett	347.30	
Harold Clough	131.92	
Merle Jones	306.00	
Ernest Kenney	198.00	
Francis Kenney	76.00	
Robert Strange	198.00	
George Smalley	190.00	
Orrin Carey	78.00	
Floyd Dunnell	16.00	
Town Trucks	500.00	
Town Sander	4.00	
Lake Asphalt & Petroleum Co.	172.77	

N. E. Metal Culvert Co.	1,791.49	
Philip Bourbeau	73.70	
Steve Puffer	355.00	
Mackin Trucking Co.	1,040.80	
Steve Siciak	49.00	
George Wetherby	140.00	
N. W. S. & G. Co	896.64	
Horace Bolton	24.00	
Frank Anderson	291.00	
Dwight Stearns	39.00	
Melvin Miller	207.00	
American Tar Co.	429.67	
	$ 7,999.99	
Unexpended Balance to Revenue	.01	
		$ 8,000.00

Highway Chapter 90 — Maintenance

Appropriation		$ 2,250.00
Kenneth Miller	$ 120.50	
Henry Bassett	74.75	
Harold Clough	121.00	
Merle Jones	64.00	
Ernest Kenney	73.00	
Robert Strange	96.00	
George Smalley	112.00	
Orrin Carey	32.00	
Frederick Clough	19.55	
Floyd Dunnell	8.00	
Town Trucks	210.00	
Town Sander & Hone	12.00	
Frank Anderson	36.00	
N. W. S. & G. Co.	253.05	
American Tar Co.	385.66	
Lake Asphalt & Petroleum Co.	632.49	
		$ 2,250.00

Railings

Appropriation		$ 900.00
Kenneth Miller	$ 105.00	
Henry Bassett	101.20	
Harold Clough	76.80	
Merle Jones	8.00	
Ernest Kenney	32.00	
George Smalley	112.00	
Elsworth Black	16.00	
Robert Strange	72.00	
Town Truck	28.75	

N. E. Metal Culvert Co.	88.20	
N. W. S. & G. Co.	24.69	
J. L. Dunnell & Son	44.45	
James Neigh	10.00	
Frank Hance	90.00	
Hamilton Cregar	17.77	
	$ 826.86	
Unexpended Balance to Revenue	73.14	
		$ 900.00

Sidewalk Repairs

Appropriation		$ 1,000.00
Peter Yarmac		$ 1,000.00

Bridges

Appropriation		$ 3,000.00
Kenneth Miller	$ 196.00	
Henry Bassett	119.60	
Frederick Clough	82.80	
Harold Clough	105.60	
Orrin Carey	8.00	
Ernest Kenney	78.00	
Francis Kenney	16.00	
George Smalley	112.00	
Robert Strange	64.00	
Merle Jones	8.00	
Town Trucks	137.50	
Smead Lumber Co.	77.70	
N. E. Metal Culvert Co.	1,529.31	
Hamilton Cregar	1.71	
Morgan Garage	119.51	
N. W. S. & G. Co.	193.30	
Melvin Miller	119.00	
	$ 2,968.03	
Unexpended Balance to Revenue	31.97	
		$ 3,000.00

Snow Removal

Appropriation	$ 6,500.00	
Surplus Revenue	1,500.00	
		$ 8,000.00
Kenneth Miller	$ 965.45	
Henry Bassett	806.78	
Frederick Clough	604.33	
Harold Clough	119.35	

Merle Jones	16.00	
Homer Browning, Jr.	13.80	
Dwight Stearns	5.75	
Ralph Miller	213.10	
Robert Fisher	17.10	
Robert Strange	72.00	
George Smalley	232.00	
Forrest Carey	18.40	
Ernest Kenney	24.00	
Town Trucks	1,083.76	
Town Sander	97.05	
N. W. S. & G. Co.	1,146.52	
Herman Fisher	415.00	
Melvin Miller	121.50	
Glossie Bentley	147.00	
Frank Anderson	40.00	
Frank Hance	252.14	
Miller Hardware	2.57	
Potter Grain Store	78.00	
The Chemical Co.	780.25	
	$ 7,271.85	
Unexpended Balance to Revenue	728.15	
		$ 8,000.00

Street Lights

Appropriation	$ 4,986.00	
Appropriation Myrtle St.	24.00	
Appropriation Beers Plain Rd.	144.00	
		$ 5,154.00
Western Mass. Electric Co.	$ 4,438.56	
Unexpended Balance to Revenue	715.44	
		$ 5,154.00

Highway Bounds, Surveys, Plans

Appropriation		$ 100.00
Unexpended Balance to Revenue		$ 100.00

Winter Emergency Highway Work

Appropriation		$ 200.00
Kenneth Miller	$ 52.00	
Henry Bassett	46.00	
Frederick Clough	42.50	
Robert Strange	37.00	
Town Trucks	22.50	
		$ 200.00

O.A.A. Adm. U.S.G.

Balance Jan. 1, 1953	$ 400.46	
Receipts	1,211.23	
		$ 1,611.69
Shirley Kehl	$ 886.62	
Shirley Kehl, Travel	28.66	
N. E. Tel. & Tel. Co.	15.15	
Burroughs Add. Mach. Co.	1.75	
Hurley, Postage	6.00	
Barrett & Baker	3.45	
Registry of Deeds	1.50	
Hobbs & Warren	2.85	
	$ 945.98	
Unexpended Balance to 1954	665.71	
		$ 1,611.69

O.A.A. U.S.G.

Balance Jan. 1, 1953	$ 7,491.56	
Receipts	24,085.17	
		$ 31,576.73
Sundry Persons	$ 21,323.02	
Unexpended Balance to 1954	10,253.71	
		$ 31,576.73

A.D.C. Adm. U.S.G.

Balance Jan. 1, 1953	$ 5.43	
Receipts	420.41	
		$ 425.84
Shirley Kehl	$ 126.66	
Shirley Kehl, Travel	8.96	
	$ 135.62	
Unexpended Balance to 1954	290.22	
		$ 425.84

A.D.C. U.S.G.

Balance Jan. 1, 1953	$ 411.27	
Receipts	2,840.03	
		$ 3,251.30
Sundry Persons	$ 2,289.45	
Unexpended Balance to 1954	961.85	
		$ 3,251.30

D.A. Adm. U.S.G.

Balance Jan. 1, 1953	$ 91.68	
Receipts	84.93	
		$ 176.61

Shirley Kehl	$ 11.27	
Hurley, Postage	6.00	
	$ 17.27	
Unexpended Balance to 1954	159.34	
		$ 176.61

D.A. U.S.G.

Balance Jan. 1, 1953	$ 327.16	
Receipts	1470.00	
		$ 1,797.16
Sundry Persons	$ 783.10	
Unexpended Balance to 1954	1,014.06	
		$ 1,797.16

P.W. Adm.

Appropriation		$ 2,500.00
Shirley Kehl	2,026.72	
Shirley Kehl, Travel & Sundries	73.89	
Mass. Ass'n	3.00	
N. E. Tel. & Tel. Co.	66.43	
T. J. Hurley, Postage	18.00	
Hobbs & Warren	4.75	
Barrett & Baker	6.05	
U.C.S. of Boston	10.00	
Forbes Snyder, Inc.	3.00	
Demonds	1.05	
Burroughs Add. Mach. Co.	18.00	
Johnson & Johnson	13.50	
	$ 2,244.39	
Unexpended Balance to Revenue	255.61	
		$ 2,500.00

General Relief

Appropriation	$ 3,000.00	
Refunds	140.15	
		$ 3,140.15
Sundry Persons	$ 2,611.88	
Unexpended Balance to Revenue	528.27	
		$ 3,140.15

O.A.A.

Appropriation	$ 40,000.00	
Refund	34.25	
		$ 40,034.25
Sundry Persons	$ 35,787.42	
Unexpended Balance to Revenue	$ 4,246.83	
		$ 40,034.25

A.D.C.

Appropriation		$ 6,000.00
Sundry Persons	$ 4,555.14	
Unexpended Balance to Revenue	$ 1,444.86	
		$ 6,000.00

D.A.

Appropriation		$ 4,000.00
Sundry Persons	$ 2,717.69	
Unexpended Balance to Revenue	1,282.31	
		$ 4,000.00

Soldier's Relief

Appropriation	$ 3,500.00	
Reserve Fund	244.47	
		$ 3,744.47
Sundry Persons		$ 3,744.47

School Committee

Appropriation		$ 300.00
Irving Lawrence	100.00	
Louis Abbey	100.00	
Roy Fish	100.00	
		$ 300.00

Barden Fund

Receipts		$ 400.00
Sylvia Spencer	$ 108.00	
Unexpended Balance to 1954	292.00	
		$ 400.00

High School Athletic Fund

Balance Jan. 1, 1953	$ 62.70	
Receipts	260.50	
		$ 323.20
Barry Reclaiming Co.	$ 86.15	
Lawton Cleaners	56.75	
George Leonard	1.62	
The Northfield	50.00	
Sundry Referees	117.00	
	$ 311.52	
Unexpended Balance to 1954	11.68	
		$ 323.20

School Lunch

Balance Jan. 1, 1953	$ 809.86	
Receipts	11,983.59	
		$ 12,793.45

Tenney Farms Dairy	$ 2,378.74	
Mark B. Aldrich	1,447.99	
General Baking Co.	477.87	
Com. of Mass.	45.20	
Berkshire Frosted Foods	794.84	
Sexton Co.	917.86	
Progressive Equipment Co.	468.78	
Consolidated Foods, Inc.	36.20	
Darling & Rhodes Co.	321.50	
Cascade Paper Co.	47.27	
Webster Thomas Co.	146.21	
Sundry, Express	86.96	
Bernardston Auto Exchange	169.30	
Cecil Wilson	61.50	
Holcomb Mfg. Co.	27.50	
Alfred E. Holton	36.26	
Geo. Sheldon, Inc.	895.80	
Sundry	71.38	
Minnie Huber	1,389.00	
Susie Hillock	1,055.00	
Eunice Dumbreck	138.00	
Charlotte Black	101.50	
Ruth Johnson	43.00	
Sundry Girls	208.22	
	$ 11,365.88	
Unexpended Balance to 1954	1,427.57	
		$ 12,793.45

Schools

Refund	3.20	
Appropriation	$ 92,791.00	
		$ 92,794.20
F. Sumner Turner, Salary	$ 2,108.67	
F. Sumner Turner, Travel	153.50	
George Leonard	4,266.64	
M. C. Brown	3,403.28	
T. C. Higgins, Jr.	3,166.56	
Evelyn Lawley	3,656.68	
Nellie Dearstyne	3,489.92	
Eleanor Hammond	3,193.28	
Beryle Hammond	3,014.00	
Jean Kozlowski	2,810.64	
Dorothy Herrick	3,573.20	
H. S. Hayden	2,706.64	
Evelyn Parker	3,350.00	
Mary Dalton	3,313.28	
Ruth Stebbins	2,649.14	

Marion Nau	616.24
Virginia Haack	2,831.54
Ruth Bolton	3,107.09
Dorothea Holt	3,010.12
Virginia Raymond	933.00
W. L. Rinehart	450.00
Edson Crafts	242.53
Jeannette Rich	246.00
Esther Leonard	135.00
Eleanor Deane	9.00
Ruby North	9.00
Helen Tippett	9.00
Edith Aldrich	54.00
Helen Weston	18.00
Jessie Glaback	27.00
Helen Thompson	27.00
Dorothy Strecker	18.00
Jean McComb	735.03
Barbara Mankowsky	600.00
The Northfield	9,486.00
Eugene Miller	4,062.14
James Dresser	1,327.50
Robert Dumbreck	1,246.37
John Spindler	2,599.92
Charles Janes	1,066.70
Charles Repeta, Jr.	16.80
Hugh Hayden	104.50
James McComb	178.00
George Mello	45.00
Janitor Supplies	
C. B. Dolge Co.	230.93
Kidder & Co.	32.39
Holcomb Co.	22.50
Hilyard Sales	56.15
Du-ev Products	239.52
Cascade Paper Co.	27.63
M. D. Stetson	186.25
Sundry Persons	37.98
Fuel	
McIntosh & Son	225.00
Mackin Fuel & Trucking Co.	607.76
Ray Herrick	24.00
G. O. Dunnell	101.35
Lodge Petroleum Co.	343.30
Water and Current	
Nfld. Water Co.	427.45
W. M. E. Co.	544.97

Repairs	
Miller Hardware	24.55
Corsiglia Co.	283.01
Edward Bolton	312.59
Remington Rand Co.	54.57
Grays Drapery Shop	87.60
Sundry Persons	56.49
The Hubers	1,927.00
Hamilton Cregar	50.17
Text Books	
Ginn & Co.	24.30
Row, Peterson Co.	371.15
Mt. Hermon Students Store	66.63
Wilcox & Follett	37.88
Webster Publishing Co.	230.39
Sundry Persons	35.30
Student Supplies	
Cascade Paper Co.	494.07
J. L. Hammett Co.	24.97
Milton Bradley Co.	165.34
H. T. Haynes Co.	23.61
Athletic Trainers Supply	69.78
Lynch Sports Equip. Co.	113.41
D'enoyer Geppert	35.23
James Brine Co.	32.56
Gledhill Bros.	62.64
American Printing Co.	34.50
Miller Paper Co.	47.40
Welch Mfg. Co.	20.83
Sports Officials	111.50
The Northfield	140.00
New Equipment	
Royal Typewriter Co.	222.00
Smith Corona Co.	42.50
Cascade Paper Co.	564.28
Demond's	90.10
Sundry Education	
N. E. Tel. & Tel. Co.	244.82
Audubon Society	64.69
Trentwell, Macon, White	25.00
Mass. Ass'n School Committees	20.00
Steve Mastaler	50.00
Com. of Mass.	20.00
Esther Leonard	34.55
Hurley, Postage	28.00
Frederick Pinney	42.00

Leland Black	25.50	
Sundry Persons	152.06	
Home Economics		
Progressive Ideas Equipment Co.	35.89	
Singer Sewing Machine Co.	19.86	
Mark Aldrich	13.92	
Tuition — Greenfield	2,132.78	
	$ 92,534.77	
Unexpended Balance to Revenue	259.43	
		$ 92,794.20

Belcher Library Fund

Balance 1953	$ 229.00	
Receipts	258.62	
		$ 487.62
Library Book House	$ 170.28	
F. M. Dunnell	47.30	
W. M. E. Co.	24.74	
N. E. Tel. & Tel. Co.	5.50	
Luman Barber	4.71	
Leavis & Bolton	1.50	
Robert Schouler	3.00	
Hamilton Cregar	10.79	
Barrett & Baker	5.80	
American Library Ass'n.	6.00	
McIntosh & Son	171.60	
	$ 451.22	
Unexpended Balance to 1954	36.40	
		$ 487.62

Public Schools Building Survey Committee

Appropriation		$ 1,200.00
High School Press Club	$ 22.94	
F. Sumner Turner	61.84	
James A. Britton	100.00	
N. E. Tel. & Tel. Co.	4.95	
American Printing Co.	280.00	
Elizabeth Quigley	3.20	
S. W. Haynes & Associates	425.00	
	$ 897.93	
Unexpended Balance to Revenue	302.07	
		$ 1,200.00

Adult Vocational Education

Appropriation	$ 700.00	
Reserve Fund	29.68	
		$ 729.68
Ralph Sargent	200.00	
Sylvia Spencer	92.00	
Douglas Jones	100.00	
Mrs. William Black	100.00	
Harriet Hawkes	100.00	
John Spindler	60.00	
N. S. for Girls	20.00	
W. M. E. Co.	30.68	
N. E. Tel. & Tel. Co.	3.00	
McIntosh & Son	24.00	
		$ 729.68

Northfield Farms Library

Appropriation		$ 150.00
Nfld. Farms Library Ass'n.		$ 150.00

Dickinson Library

Appropriation		$ 4,800.00
Florence Phelps	$ 1,980.00	
Florence Phelps, Petty Cash	10.00	
Edna Barber	420.00	
Luman Barber	15.16	
Agda Huber	312.00	
Louise Reeves	51.00	
Sophie Ruhl	32.25	
Nancy Sechrist	153.75	
Gwendolyn Leavis	51.75	
Edith Aldrich	100.50	
Leavis & Bolton	83.81	
Edward Bolton	324.75	
W. M. E. Co.	115.01	
N. E. Tel. & Tel. Co.	53.05	
F. M. Dunnell	458.16	
Demco Library Supplies	58.57	
Tracy Burdick	18.25	
Nfld. Water Co.	12.00	
Nathaniel Dame Co.	30.00	
Library Book House	256.70	
American Library Ass'n	6.00	
C. B. Dolge Co.	43.99	
Doubleday & Co.	39.00	
J. S. Wesby & Sons	46.08	
Demonds	11.05	
Malcolm Parks	21.00	
H. R. Huntting Co.	40.80	

Wilcox & Follett	8.95	
American Book Co.	6.36	
Sundry Books, Magazines, Supplies	40.06	
		$ 4,800.00

Alexander Hall

Appropriation		$ 175.00
Katherine Livingston	$ 1.25	
John Spindler	120.00	
	$ 121.25	
Unexpended Balance to Revenue	53.75	
		$ 175.00

Insurance

Appropriation		$ 2,500.00
Powell Ins. Agency	$ 1,196.12	
Colton's Ins. Agency	900.00	
Roy J. Fish Ins.	403.88	
		$ 2,500.00

Interest

Appropriation		$ 200.00
Unexpended Balance to Revenue		$ 200.00

Damages

Appropriation		$ 200.00
Unexpended Balance to Revenue		$ 200.00

Town Clock and Fountain

Appropriation		$ 150.00
Nfld. Water Co.	$ 25.00	
Miller Hardware	4.00	
Hamilton S. Cregar	2.25	
Willis Parker	50.00	
	$ 81.25	
Unexpended Balance to Revenue	68.75	
		$ 150.00

Town Reports

Appropriation	$ 700.00	
Reserve Fund	75.30	
		$ 775.30
William Hoehn		$ 775.30

Tax Title Foreclosure Costs

Appropriation		$ 300.00
Register of Deeds	$ 14.75	
Unexpended Balance to Revenue	285.25	
		$ 300.00

Fish

Appropriation		$ 200.00
Berkeley Hills Trout Farm		$ 200.00

Planning Board Zoning

Balance from 1952		$ 200.00
Unexpended Balance to Revenue		$ 200.00

Repairs to Discontinued School Buildings

Appropriation		$ 1,100.00
Leavis & Bolton	$ 888.56	
Unexpended Balance to Revenue	211.44	
		$ 1,100.00

1952 Bills

Appropriation		$ 423.76
Alfred Holton	$ 308.76	
Town of Orange	115.00	
		$ 423.76

P.C. Funds Center Cemetery

Balance Jan. 1, 1953	$ 472.13	
Interest Added	378.99	
		$ 851.12
William Janes	$ 26.54	
Robert Pratt	23.25	
Ernest Kenney	321.20	
Stearns Garage	4.66	
C. V. Railroad	5.00	
G. N. Kidder	96.00	
Elton Kinsman	3.00	
	$ 479.65	
Unexpended Balance to 1954	371.47	
		$ 851.12

P.C. Funds Northfield Farms

Balance Jan. 1, 1953	$ 177.67	
Interest Added	85.50	
		$ 263.17
William Stewart	$ 104.25	
John Hammond	4.35	
Frank Stratton	7.00	
Murray Hammond	20.81	
Peter Yarmac	106.36	
Frederick Clough	6.90	
Ernest Kenney	6.00	
Town Truck	7.50	
		$ 263.17

Protection of Tax Title Property

Appropriation		$ 25.00
Unexpended Balance to Revenue		$ 25.00

Memorial Day

Appropriation		$ 240.00
Thomas Hurley	$ 14.53	
Wilson's Inc.	18.70	
Avery's Store	30.00	
Alice Kenney	60.00	
Orange High School	100.00	
N. S. for Girls	4.80	
	$ 228.03	
Unexpended Balance to Revenue	11.97	
		$ 240.00

Civil Defense

Balance from 1952	$ 200.48	
Appropriation	$ 300.00	
		$ 500.48
N. S. for Girls	$ 117.54	
Forbes Products Corp.	108.75	
Service Equipment Co.	125.89	
Alston Studios	23.40	
Emory Rikert	5.19	
Town Taxi	19.00	
Sundry Persons, Supplies	10.82	
	$ 410.59	
Unexpended Balance to 1954	89.89	
		$ 500.48

Playground and Athletic Field

Appropriation		$ 400.00
Hugh Hayden	$ 98.25	
George Mello	35.60	
Melvin Miller	128.00	
Smead Lumber Co.	12.60	
Kidder & Co.	19.21	
Walter Shaw	37.25	
Weidenmiller & Magovern Co.	37.50	
Sundry Persons, Repairs & Supplies	14.25	
	$ 382.66	
Unexpended Balance to Revenue	17.34	
		$ 400.00

P.C. Funds West Northfield

Balance Jan. 1, 1953	$ 218.26	
Interest Added	225.36	
		$ 443.62
Carleton Holton	$ 82.20	
Philip Holton	69.47	
Ralph Holton	13.60	
Kidder & Co.	4.59	
F. E. Bauer, Jr.	16.50	
Mrs. C. I. Holton	28.00	
William Hilliard	27.38	
	$ 241.74	
Unexpended Balance to 1954	201.88	
		$ 443.62

Cemeteries

Appropriation		$ 1,125.00
Nfld. Water Co.	$ 12.00	
William Janes	316.76	
Florin Andrew	59.81	
Andrew Sheldon	72.49	
Albert Allen	20.80	
Robert Scott	9.43	
John Ware	60.45	
G. C. Buffum	1.39	
Miller Hardware	14.64	
Smead Lumber Co.	13.72	
Gerald Stebbins	13.33	
Frank Anderson	24.00	
Stearns Garage	3.78	
F. A. Irish	2.70	
Elton Kinsman	22.30	
Morgan Garage	2.50	
Robert Pratt	97.50	
David Quinn	75.00	
William Hoehn	6.50	
G. N. Kidder	50.80	
John Hammond	10.25	
William Stewart	20.25	
Murray Hammond	27.86	
Peter Yarmac	186.74	
		$ 1,125.00

Northfield Farms Cemetery Grading

Appropriation	$ 250.00	
Reserve	180.00	
		$ 430.00
Ernest Nash	$ 23.50	

Murray Hammond	17.50	
Franklin Farmers Exch.	22.54	
Joseph Bartus	34.00	
J. L. Dunnell & Son	1.25	
Mackin Trucking Co.	61.60	
N. W. S. & G. Co.	62.31	
Peter Yarmac	186.90	
Frederick Clough	6.90	
Ernest Kenney	6.00	
Town Truck	7.50	
		$ 430.00

Recapitulation

	Appropriation	Payments	Balance
Moderator	$ 15.00	$ 15.00	$ ——
Selectmen & Welfare Board	1,100.00	1,100.00	——
Selectmen's Expense	250.25	137.59	112.66
Accountant	950.00	950.00	——
Accountant Expense	75.00	67.45	7.55
Legal Expense	250.00	204.54	45.46
Treasurer	900.00	900.00	——
Treasurer Expense	375.83	375.83	——
Tax Collector	750.00	750.00	——
Tax Collector Expense	567.31	567.31	——
Assessors & Clerk	1,250.00	1,000.00	250.00
Assessors & Clerk Expense	225.00	191.76	33.24
Town Clerk	500.00	500.00	——
Town Clerk Expense	80.00	56.56	23.44
Election & Registration	900.00	660.40	239.60
Town Hall	4,800.00	4,786.07	13.93
Constables	500.00	429.32	70.68
Fire Dept.	3,115.21	3,115.21	——
Hydrant Service	400.00	400.00	——
Water Holes	400.00	400.00	——
Sites, Plans, Fire Station	200.00	60.00	140.00
Portable Pump	450.00	400.00	50.00
Public Safety	25.00	15.00	10.00
Wire Inspector	50.00	——	50.00
Sealer Weights & Measures	150.00	150.00	——
Sealer Expense	25.00	——	25.00
Gypsy Moth	1,350.00	1,337.85	12.15
Dutch Elm Disease	600.00	600.00	——
Dog Officer & Expense	150.00	115.25	34.75
Health	1,316.45	1,316.45	——
Nurse & Substitute	2,550.00	2,550.00	——
Nurse Expense	75.00	68.34	6.66
Nurse Car Expense	573.50	502.21	71.29

	Appropriation	Payments	Balance
Inspection of Animals	177.23	177.23	——
Inspection of Meat & Slaughter	50.00	50.00	——
Tools	200.00	128.31	71.69
Hwy. Chapter 81	22,750.00	22,749.99	.01
Hwy. Chapter 90 Construction	8,000.00	7,999.99	.01
Hwy. Chapter 90 Maintenance	2,250.00	2,250.00	——
Railings	900.00	826.86	73.14
Sidewalk Repairs	1,000.00	1,000.00	——
Bridges	3,000.00	2,968.03	31.97
Street Lights	5,154.00	4,438.56	715.44
Hwy. Bounds, Surveys, Plans	100.00	——	100.00
Winter Hwy. Work	200.00	200.00	——
Public Welfare Adm.	2,500.00	2,244.39	255.61
General Relief	3,140.15	2,611.88	528.27
O.A.A.	40,034.25	35,787.42	4,246.83
A.D.C.	6,000.00	4,555.14	1,444.86
D.A.	4,000.00	2,717.69	1,282.31
Soldiers Relief	3,744.47	3,744.47	——
School Committee	300.00	300.00	——
Schools	92.794.20	92,534.77	259.43
School Bldg. Survey Com.	1,200.00	897.93	302.07
Adult Vocational Education	729.68	729.68	——
Nfld. Farms Library	150.00	150.00	——
Dickinson Library	4,800.00	4,800.00	——
Alexander Hall	175.00	121.25	53.75
Insurance	2,500.00	2,500.00	——
Interest	200.00	——	200.00
Damages	200.00	——	200.00
Town Clock & Fountain	150.00	81.25	68.75
Town Reports	775.30	775.30.	——
Tax Title Foreclosure Costs	300.00	14.75	285.25
Protection of Tax Title Property	25.00	——	25.00
Memorial Day	240.00	228.03	11.97
Playground & Athletic Field	400.00	382.66	17.34
Fish	200.00	200.00	——
Zoning Investigation	200.00	——	200.00
Repairs, Discontinued School Bldgs.	1,100.00	888.56	211.44
Back Bills	423.76	423.76	——
Cemeteries	1,125.00	1,125.00	——
Nfld. Farms Cemetery Grading	430.00	430.00	——
Unexpended Balances to Revenue			
Fire Truck	17,000.00	——	17,000.00
Fire Station & Town Garage	5,000	3,610.50	1,389.50
Regional School Com.	300.00	——	300.00
Civil Defense	500.48	410.59	89.89
World War II Memorial			

	Appropriation	Payments	Balance
List & Expenses	75.00	——	75.00
Cemetery Lots Filing System	300.00	——	300.00
Unexpended Balances to 1954			
Tree Warden	665.00	655.00	10.00
Unexpended Balance to Reserve Fund			
Machinery Maintenance	6,000.00	5,503.29	496.71
Unexpended Balance to Machinery Fund			
Snow Removal	8,000.00	7,271.85	728.15
Unexpended Balance to Surplus Revenue			
Reserve Fund	4,010.00	1,555.48	2,454.52
Unexpended Balance to Overlay Reserve			
Refunds on taxes		339.14	
O.A.A. Adm. U. S. Grant	1,611.69	945.98	665.71
O.A.A. U. S. Grant	31,576.73	21,323.02	10,253.71
A.D.C. Adm. U. S. Grant	425.84	135.62	290.22
A.D.C. U. S. Grant	3,251.30	2,289.45	961.85
D.A. Adm. U. S. Grant	176.61	17.27	159.34
D.A. U. S. Grant	1,797.16	783.10	1,014.06
Tailings	283.58	62.00	221.58
School Lunch	12,793.45	11,365.88	1,427.57
School Athletics	323.20	311.52	11.68
Dog Licenses	683.80	674.80	9.00
Witholding Taxes	12,330.05	11,277.55	1,052.50
Co. Retirement	1,710.96	1,512.25	198.65
Blue Cross & Blue Shield	1,176.25	1,176.25	——
State Parks & Reservations		299.90	
State Audit		773.44	
U. S. Bond Income	250.00	250.00	——
Veterans Service Center		744.49	
Co. Retirement System		1,057.40	
Co. Tax		9,454.75	
Co. Dog Officer		52.00	
Wild Cat Bounty		20.00	
Trust Funds	600.00	600.00	——
Belcher Library Fund		451.22	36.40
P. C. Center Cemetery		479.65	371.47
P.C. West Northfield		241.74	201.88
P.C. Nfld. Farms	263.17	263.17	——
Smith Hughes Barden Fund	400.00	108.00	292.00
O.A.A. Recovery	3,436.21	1,609.87	1,826.34
Total Payments by Warrants			$309,324.58
Cash on Hand Dec. 31, 1953			94,352.84
			$403,677.42

BALANCE SHEET TOWN OF NORTHFIELD

DECEMBER 31, 1953

Assets

Cash		$ 94,352.84
Accounts Receivable		
Taxes		
Levy of 1951		
Real Estate		196.83
Levy of 1952		
Poll	16.00	
Personal Property	192.52	
Real Estate	3,751.30	3,959.82
Levy of 1953		
Poll	132.00	
Personal Property	2,001.28	
Real Estate	67,209.20	69,342.48
Motor Vehicle & Trailer Excise		
1951	67.73	
1952	783.46	
1953	4,612.74	5,463.93

Liabilities and Reserves

Payroll Deductions		
Federal Taxes		$ 1,052.50
County Retirement		198.65
Dog Licenses Due County		9.00
Trust Fund Income		
Elisha Alexander	$ 408.81	
George F. Morgan	141.13	
Roselle Evans	97.52	
Belcher Center School	120.97	
Belcher Library	36.40	
Montague Library	114.47	
Dickinson Book	129.70	
P.C. Center Cemetery	371.47	
P.C. West Nfld.	201.88	
P.C. Calvin Stearns	16.37	
P.C. Mary Callender	41.57	1,680.39
Cost on Taxes		19.10
Tailings		221.58
Federal Grants		
O.A.A.	10,253.71	
O.A.A. Adm.	665.71	
A.D.C.	961.85	

Tax Title		3,467.95
Tax Possessions		417.66
Departmental		
Sidewalk	162.38	
O.A.A.	108.58	
A.D.C.	615.81	
Veterans Benefits	114.43	
Schools	233.60	1,234.80
State Aid to Highways		1,335.09
Underestimates		
State Parks & Reservation	96.95	
County Tax	829.01	925.96
Wild Cat Bounty		10.00
		$180,707.36

A.D.C. Adm.	290.22	
D.A.	1,014.06	
D.A. Adm.	159.34	13,344.89
Smith Hughes Barden Fund		292.00
Sale of Cemetery Lots		1,415.12
Sale of Real Estate		1,260.00
Road Machinery Fund		9,727.57
School Lunch		1,427.57
School Athletics		11.68
Unexpended Appropriation Balance		
Fire Truck		17,000.00
Fire Station & Town Garage		1,389.50
Regional School District Planning Bd		300.00
Civil Defense		89.89
W. W. II Memorial List		75.00
Cemetery Lots Filing System		300.00
Reserve — Overlay Surplus		10,111.10
1951 Overlay		196.83
1952 Overlay		3,959.82
1953 Overlay		4,437.62
Motor Vehicle & Trailer Excise Rev.		5,463.93
Tax Title & Possession Rev.		3,885.61
Departmental Rev.		1,234.80
State Aid to Hwy. Rev.		1,335.09
O.A.A. Recovery		1,826.34
Surplus Revenue		98,441.88
		$180,707.36

TRUST AND INVESTMENT ACCOUNTS

Trust & Investment Funds	
In Custody of Treasurer	$ 60,917.01
In Custody of Selectmen	2,323.00
In Custody of Trustees	8,657.61
	$ 71,897.62

Elisha Alexander Charity Fund	$ 2,020.00
Martha Alexander Charity Fund	8,657.61
Lottie Evans Charity Fund	848.07
George F. Morgan Charity Fund	3,000.00
Surplus Revenue School Fund	1,600.00
Belcher Center School Fund	1,250.00
Belcher Library Fund	9,739.01
Dickinson Book Fund	3,000.00
Cowles Cemetery Fund	2,000.00
Belcher Cemetery Fund	2,000.00
Calvin Stearns Cemetery Fund	500.00
Mary Callender Cemetery	500.00
West Nfld. Cemetery	8,320.00
P.C. Cemetery Funds	
In Custody of Treas.	13,314.75
In Custody of Selectemen	303.00
Post War Rehabilitation Fund	12,345.18
Roselle Evans Worthy Poor Fund	500.00
Montague Library Fund	2,000.00
	$ 71,897.62

BALANCE SHEET TOWN OF NORTHFIELD

STATE AUDIT FOR THE YEAR 1952

GENERAL ACCOUNTS

Assets

Cash — General		$123,343.00
Accounts Receivable:		
Taxes:		
Levy of 1950:		
Personal Property	$ 5.53	
Real Estate	62.20	
Levy of 1951:		
Poll	22.00	
Personal Property	386.70	
Real Estate	4,727.70	
Levy of 1952:		
Poll	56.00	
Personal Property	1,580.10	
Real Estate	17,717.41	24,557.64
Motor Vehicle and Trailer Excise:		
Levy of 1950	$ 2.58	
Levy of 1951	744.51	
Levy of 1952	2,051.13	2,798.22

Liabilities and Reserves

Employees' Payroll Deductions:		
Federal Taxes	$ 982.05	
County Retirement System	245.80	1,227.85
Agency:		
County — Dog Licenses		3.60
Tailings — Unclaimed Checks		283.58
Gifts and Bequests:		
Cemetery Perpetual Care Bequest		100.00
Trust Fund Income:		
Elisha Alexander Charity Fund	$ 353.26	
George F. Morgan Charity Fund	58.07	
Roselle Evans Worthy Poor Fund	83.68	
Belcher Center School Fund	86.91	
Belcher Library Fund	229.00	
Maude Montague Library Fund	64.47	

Tax Titles and Possessions:		
Tax Titles	$ 3,024.11	
Tax Possessions	417.66	3,441.77
Departmental:		
Sidewalk Construction	$ 162.38	
Disability Assistance	14.88	
Aid to Dependent Children	822.30	
Old Age Assistance	188.14	
Veterans' Services	177.50	1,365.20
Aid to Highways:		
State	$ 13,666.46	
County	2,749.91	16,416.37
Unprovided for or Overdrawn Accounts:		
Due from County:		
Wild Cat Bounty	$ 10.00	
Dog Officer Expense	6.50	16.50
Underestimates 1952:		
State Parks and Reservations Assessment	$ 23.94	
State Audit of Municipal Accounts	86.75	110.69

Charles P. Dickinson Library Book Fund	54.24	
Cemetery Perpetual Care Fund	472.13	
Northfield Farms Cemetery Funds	177.67	
West Northfield Cemetery Funds	218.26	
Calvin Stearns Cemetery Fund	2.53	
Mary H. Callender Cemetery Fund	27.73	1,827.95
Recoveries:		
Old Age Assistance		272.66
Federal Grants:		
Disability Assistance:		
Administration	$ 91.68	
Assistance	327.16	
Aid to Dependent Children:		
Administration	5.43	
Aid	411.27	
Old Age Assistance:		
Administration	400.46	
Assistance	7,491.56	8,727.56
Revolving Funds:		
School Lunch	$ 809.86	
School Athletics	62.70	872.56

Appropriation Balances:		
Revenue:		
Civilian Defense	$ 200.48	
Planning Board — Zoning	200.00	
School Building Survey Committee	1,200.00	1,600.48
Overestimate 1952 — County Tax		745.57
Sale of Real Estate Fund		1,260.00
Sale of Cemetery Lots Fund		1,652.62
Receipts Reserved for Appropriations:		
Road Machinery		10,738.40
Reserve Fund — Overlay Surplus		6,149.57
Overlays Reserved for Abatements:		
Levy of 1950	$ 65.62	
Levy of 1951	4,026.62	
Levy of 1952	5,590.42	9,683.66
Revenue Reserved Until Collected:		
Motor Vehicle and Trailer Excise	$ 2,798.22	
Tax Title and Possession	3,441.77	
Departmental	1,365.20	
Aid to Highway	16,416.37	24,021.56
Surplus Revenue		102,881.77
		$172,049.39

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TRUST AND INVESTMENT ACCOUNTS

Trust and Investment Funds:	
Cash and Securities:	
In Custody of Treasurer	$ 60,620.34
In Custody of Selectmen	2,323.00
In Custody of Trustees	8,981.95
	$ 71,925.29

Elisha Alexander Charity Fund (In Custody of Selectmen)	$ 2,020.00
Martha W. Alexander Charity Fund (In Custody of Trustees)	8,981.95
Lottie Evans Charity Fund	836.44
George F. Morgan Charity Fund	3,000.00
Roselle Evans Worthy Poor Fund	500.00
Surplus Revenue School Fund	1,600.00
Belcher Center School Fund	1,250.00
Belcher Library Fund	9,739.01
Charles P. Dickinson Library Fund	3,000.00
Maude Montague Library Fund	2,000.00
James W. Cowles Cemetery Fund	2,000.00
Belcher Center Cemetery Fund	2,000.00
Calvin Stearns Cemetery Fund	500.00
Mary H. Callender Cemetery Fund	500.00
West Northfield Cemetery Fund	8,470.00
Cemetery Perpetual Care Funds:	
In Custody of Treasurer	* 12,914.75
In Custody of Selectmen	303.00
Post-War Rehabilitation Fund	12,310.14
	$71,925.29

* Includes $100.00 in General Treasury.

DICKINSON LIBRARY REPORT

At the opening of 1953 the Board of Trustees of the Dickinson Memorial Library was composed of the following members: Mrs. Louise M. Reeves, Chairman; Miss C. Ina Merriman, Mrs. Gwendolyn O. Leavis, Mr. Luman A. Barber, Mr. Horace H. Morse, Secretary; and Mr. Winthrop W. Sanderson. In the Town Report of 1952, page 3, Winthrop W. Spencer is listed as a Library Trustee. It should have been Winthrop W. Sanderson.

At the town meeting of February 2, 1953 Mrs. Louise M. Reeves and Mr. Luman A. Barber were elected to the Library Board to serve for three years, and Mrs. Gwendolyn O. Leavis for two years.

On November 4 Miss Merriman resigned and Mrs. W. B. Wells was unanimously chosen to serve in Miss Merriman's place until the next town meeting. Miss Merriman's resignation closed a long career of service to the Dickinson Memorial Library. During 1929 and 1930 she had been successively acting librarian and librarian. Her service as a trustee was uninterrupted from 1936 to 1953 inclusive. From February 7, 1940 to February 6, 1952 she was the Chairman of the Board. In that position she served with marked efficiency and utter devotion. The Board has spread upon its records an appreciation of this distinguished service.

The appended Librarian's Report notes the near completion of the catalogue. It makes easily accessible a collection of books not on the shelves downstairs.

The Librarian's Report also calls attention to the organization of the new Regional Library Center in Greenfield. It should give to the communities it serves a much larger range of materials than has hitherto been available. It is hoped Northfield may make full use of it. The Librarian's Report can give only a hint of the varied and steady service the Librarian and her staff throughout the year are rendering to our community.

Suggestions for the expansion and improvement of the work of the Library are always welcome.

LOUISE M. REEVES, Chairman
HORACE H. MORSE, Secretary

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT

To the trustees of the Dickinson Memorial Library:

The total circulation of books and magazines for 1953 shows a decrease of 812 over 1952, and is as follows:

1952		1953	
Books, adult fiction	9038	Books, adult fiction	8744
Books, adult non-fiction	2517	Books, adult non-fiction	2890
Books, juvenile	5783	Books, juvenile	5785
Books, juvenile non-fiction	1989	Books, juvenile non-fiction	1680
Periodicals, adult	1535	Periodicals, adult	1291
Periodicals, juvenile	461	Periodicals, juvenile	465
Bookmobile books	2745	Bookmobile books	2693
Inter-library loan	381	Inter-library loan	89
	24,449		23,637

No doubt there are several reasons for the decrease in circulation of the past two years. Many librarians feel that Television is one big reason why the adults and possibly the young people too, are not finding as much time for reading.

It might be of interest to note that, notwithstanding the decrease in the past two years, the circulation for 1953 is still 8382 more than eight years ago.

Books added during the year are as follows:

By purchase, adult fiction	137
By purchase, adult non-fiction	63
By purchase, juvenile fiction	69
By purchase, juvenile non-fiction	22
Gifts to the library by friends	245
Total	536

The most outstanding gifts for the year were made by the following donors: Mr. Norman Myers, Mrs. Neva Barber, Mrs. W. D. Miller, and Mr. Philip Payne.

1185 books were borrowed from the State Bookmobile during the year for the use of the library; and 508 were left by them in "other parts of the town." This service was interrupted in the fall by the illness of the driver, which accounts for the small number of books borrowed in comparison with 1952.

With the passing of a bill in the State Legislature in the early spring, the service of the bookmobile has been extended to cover 37 towns, which will mean better service in 1954. They now have a new Regional Library Center at 4 Fiske Avenue, Greenfield, with added personnel and other facilities. Libraries and organizations may borrow films and records as well as books.

We also borrowed on inter-library loan, 37 volumes which had been requested by our readers from other libraries.

At present we have 875 registered borrowers and 20 non-residents were registered during the year.

The sum of $170.50 was received as fines on overdue books and periodicals and paid to the town treasurer.

During the spring months, classes from the 6th, 7th and 8th grades were given instruction by the librarian on "How to use the library." This year we expect to include the 5th grade. Classes are held during the morning hours so as not to interfere with the regular work of the library.

The Girl Scouts put on two exhibits at the library in the fall; one on "Pictures of the birds of America," in October; and one on "Feeding the birds," in December. Miss Maud Hamilton displayed her pictures of "Trees of New England." We hope to have more exhibits in the coming months.

During the summer, the librarian catalogued and shelved 650 books on the second floor; books which are not in circulation but which are of value to historians and writers or anyone interested in genealogy. This practically completes the recataloguing project which was started in 1942 by Mrs. Marjorie Norton. Total number catalogued 13,517.

No record has been kept of the requests for subject material needed by students; although these requests actually mean one of the heaviest demands on the time of the librarians and requires constant additions to our books in the different departments.

The library will be open on the same schedule in 1954.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. FLORENCE PHELPS,
Librarian.

FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT
FOREST FIRE WARDEN

During the year of 1953 there were 51 calls to the Fire Department and all fires resulted in very little damage or loss. The fires were largely chimney fires, brush and grass fires.

There were 752 permits issued for burning.

Respectfully submitted,

DWIGHT P. STEARNS,
Fire Chief — Forest Warden.

Report of Public Health Nurse

I herewith submit my report as Public Health Nurse for the year 1953;

The Annual Well Child Conference sponsored by the Board of Health was held in June for 2½ days with Dr. Cownie of Greenfield as attending Pediatrician. There were 58 children of Pre-school age examined at this clinic.

The Annual Pre-School clinic was held in June with Dr. F. Wilton Dean, school physician, in charge. There were 42 children registered at this clinic and the remainder of children entering the first grade were examined upon entering school in September.

This year, as in the past few years, we had two children attending the Greenfield Health Camp. Each year Northfield is represented at this camp with a boy for the first camp sessions (July) and a girl for the month of August. Children between the ages of 8-12 are eligible to attend this camp.

The following is an account of my work for the entire year:

Non-Communicable Visits	1315
Antepartum Visits	10
Post Partum Visits	3
Infant Health Supervision	13
Tuberculosis Contacts	2
People not taken under care	2
Personal Service	1
Visits made and parents not at home	1

Visits regarding school children	43
Transportation (Emergencies Only)	44
Meetings Attended	16
Total visits	1434
Total Fees Collected	$318.40

I want to take the opportunity at this time to thank the Selectmen, each citizen who has given up her free time to help me when I have needed assistance at my clinics, and all the residents for their cooperation in making my work so pleasant throughout this past year.

Respectfully submitted,

BARBARA E. MANKOWSKY, R. N.

Cemetery Commissioners Report

The various cemeteries of Northfield have had their usual care and oversight and the Northfield Farms cemetery has had much improvement made to its road.

The following bills have been approved:

CENTER CEMETERY

William Janes	$116.03	Kidder and Co.	44.80
Andrew Sheldon	72.49	Morgans Garage	2.50
Florin Andrews	59.81	F. A. Irish	2.70
Gerald Stebbins	13.33	Elton B. Kinsman	15.30
Albert Allen	20.80	Robert Pratt	120.75
Robert Scott	9.43	Labor	3.00
John Ware	59.45	Central Vermont R. R.	5.00
		Stearns Garage	4.66
	$351.34	George N. Kidder	96.00
Northfield Water Co.	$ 12.00	David G. Quinn	75.00
W. D. Miller	14.54	Ernest Kenney	321.20
G. C. Buffum	1.39	William F. Hoehn, Notary	6.50
Smead Lumber Co.	13.72		
Frank Anderson	24.00		$949.55
William Janes	304.26		

FARMS CEMETERY (For Care)

William Stewart	$124.50	Frank Stratton	7.00
Elton Kinsman	10.00	Murray Hammond	23.81
John Hammond	8.60		
			$173.91

FARMS CEMETERY (Grading)

Mackin Trucking Co.	$ 61.60	Ernest Nash	23.50
Northfield Washed Sand & Gravel Co.	62.31	Joseph Bartus	34.00
J. L. Dunnell	1.25	Franklin Farmers Exchange	22.54
Murray Hammond	42.36	Peter Yarmac	480.00
John Hammond	6.00		733.56

WEST NORTHFIELD CEMETERY

Carlton Holton	$ 82.20	William Hilliard	27.38
Phillip Holton	69.85	Mrs. C. I. Holton	28.00
Ralph Holton	13.20		
Kidder and Co.	4.59		$241.74
J. E. Bauer Jr.	16.50		

RECEIVED FROM SALE OF LOTS

Name	*Cemetery*	*Lot & No.*	*Amount*
Gordon Estabrook Sweet	W. Northfield	1 Lot 94	$25.00
Mrs. Eva Smart	W. Northfield	½ Lot 93½	15.00
Mrs. Ernest C. Blodgett	W. Northfield	½ Lot 161½	15.00
Edward Parmiter	W. Northfield	1 Lot 157	25.00
Mrs. Stanley Smolen	W. Northfield	1 Lot 152	25.00
Robert B. Thomas	W. Northfield	1 Lot 88	25.00
Roger W. Greenwood	W. Northfield	½ Lot 114	15.00
John W. Greenwood	W. Northfield	1 Lot 113	25.00
Richard Barrows	W. Northfield	1 Lot 117	25.00
Dr. Walter S. Jones	Mt. Hermon	1½ Lot 28	37.50
Axel R. Forslund	Mt. Hermon	1 Lot 14½	25.00
William & Sarah Eberhardt	Mt. Hermon	½ Lot 1	15.00
			272.50
Paid to the Town of Northfield			$272.50

Special Care of Mrs. George Spofford Lot:

January 1, Received	$ 3.05	
July Received	3.05	
	$ 6.10	
Labor		$ 6.10

DAVID G. QUINN, Chairman,
CARLTON W. HOLTON,
MURRAY M. HAMMOND.

PLANNING BOARD REPORT

Again during 1953 the planning board met with the special school committee which has now made its final report. As has already been reported at a special town meeting, the building of a regional high school seems to be the best solution of the school problem. It is hoped that next year more attention can be paid to other ways to improve Northfield.

Respectfully submitted,
F. WILTON DEAN, Sec.

FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT

The Finance Committee was organized for the year with A. Gordon Moody, as chairman and Dorothy L. Miller as secretary, and has held six meetings. All financial matters coming before the town have been considered and recommendations made.

Transfers from the $4000 Reserve Fund were authorized as follows:

April 28	—Town Reports	$ 75.30	
Sept. 8	—Northfield Farms Cemetery	180.00	
	Tree Warden	15.00	
Nov. 16	—Tax Collector's Expense	67.31	
	Fire Department	319.78	
Dec. 30	—Treasurer's Expense	25.83	
	Fire Department	279.43	
	Health Department	190.70	
	Inspector of Animals	2.23	
	Adult Education	29.68	
	Soldiers' Relief	244.47	
Dec. 31	—Public Health	125.75	
	Total	$ 1,555.48	
	Balance		2,444.52

A. GORDON MOODY, Chairman
DOROTHY L. MILLER, Secretary
ROSS L. SPENCER
WILLIAM E. PARK
ROGER M. GREENWOOD
ELLWYN E. MILLER

SCHOOL COMMITTEE REPORT

ORGANIZATION FOR YEAR 1953

School Committee

Louis Abbey, Chairman	Term expires 1955
Irving Lawrence, Secretary	Term expires 1956
Roy Fish	Term expires 1954

Meetings of the School Committee

The regular meetings of the School Committee are held on the third Thursday of each month, except July and August, at 2:00 P.M., at the Center School.

Superintendent of Schools

F. Sumner Turner
Dartmouth A.B. — Harvard M.Ed.
Boston University — University of Massachusetts
Office, Center School, Tel. 757

School Secretary

Jean McComb

Office Hours

School Days, 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.
School Vacations, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

School Physician

F. Wilton Dean, M.D.

School Nurse

Barbara Mankowsky, R.N.
Tel. 2156

School Calendar (1954-1955)

Schools Open January 4, 1954	Close February 19, 1954
Schools Open March 1, 1954	Close April 15, 1954
Schools Open April 26, 1954	Close June 18, 1954
Schools Open September 8, 1954	Close December 22, 1954
Schools Open January 3, 1955	Close February 18, 1955

Report of School Superintendent

To the School Committee and Citizens of Northfield:

I am pleased to present herewith my sixth annual report dealing with the progress made within the public schools during the year 1953. This is the 217th report on public education in the Town of Northfield.

Teacher Changes

The past year brought only one change in our school faculty. For the most part, the continuity of the teaching staff is most desirable and beneficial to the pupils of our schools. The town of Northfield has every reason to be proud of their teachers and the splendid job they are doing.

Mrs. Ruth Stebbins resigned as of November 1st to take up residence in the state of Florida. Mrs. Marion Nau of Greenfield was appointed to teach grades 2—3 for the remainder of the school year.

Pupil Housing Conditions

Each year finds our facilities for housing our pupils becoming more critical. The accepted standard of 25 and 30 pupils per room for teacher and pupil efficiency and room accommodations has, in many cases, been exceeded. As of December 31, 1953, the building enrollments are as follows:

Grade	*Number*	*Teacher*
1	26	Mrs. Ruth Bolton
1	26	Mrs. Dorothea Holt
2	28	Mrs. Virginia Haack
2—3	11—2	Mrs. Marion Nau
	12—3	
3	29	Miss Mary Dalton
4	33	Mrs. Dorothy Herrick
5	35	Mrs. Evelyn Parker
6	40	Mr. Hugh S. Hayden
Total	240	

The total school census taken on October 1, 1953, contains the names of forty-seven pupils to enter school in the fall. The opening registration and room placement in September, 1954, is forecast as follows:

Grade 1 — 23	Grade 4 — 41
Grade 1 — 24	Grade 5 — 33
Grade 2 — 26	Grade 6 — 35
Grade 2 — 26	
Grade 3 — 39	Total —— 247

The committee is far from pleased with the placing of thirty-nine pupils in Grade 3 in one room.

The enrollment in the High School building is as follows:

Grade 7 — 43	Grade 10 — 17
Grade 8 — 24	Grade 11 — 15
Grade 9 — 23	Grade 12 — 15

Total —— 136

With forty pupils due to enter Grade 7 and the usual losses due to graduation and other causes, the high school registration is forecast at about 148. This will mean two sections in Grade 7 and two in Grade 8. It will be most difficult to program that many classes with the existing rooms. It probably will be necessary to ask for the use of the rear room of Alexander Hall on a full time basis and the use of the front room at least part time. It will be impossible for the High School building to offer any room to the Center School as has been done in the past.

Not only is the problem acute for classrooms, but lunch room, storage, toilet facilities are heavily overtaxed. Each day almost 300 pupils are fed a complete lunch in the lunch room. Some tables are used three times.

In a word, the number of pupils eligible for school in Northfield is rapidly approaching the absolute limit of our housing facilities.

The solution of this housing problem can no longer be safely postponed.

The Northfield School Building Survey Committee of 50 members completed their report and presented it to the town at a special town meeting on November 19, 1953. The members of this committee deserve unlimited praise for their well-written and detailed report. This report shows that "The Committee of 50", through exhaustive study, attained a clear and complete understanding of the educational needs of the Town of Northfield. There are still a few copies of this report available at the Office of the Superintendent of Schools.

The Town in the special town meeting voted to instruct the moderator to appoint a Regional School District Planning Board. Mr. Robert Barnes, Mr. Harold Parsons and Mr. Irving J. Lawrence were appointed as the representatives of Northfield. These members together with the members from Bernardston and Warwick have been busily at work investigating the possibilities and need of a Regional Junior and Senior High School and are writing the agreement under which this school would operate. When this report is presented to the Selectmen and the Citizens of the town, it should receive complete study by every voter. The time for an efficient long range and financially wise solution is at hand.

Textbooks

During the year new textbooks were added in Literature, Grade 9 and 12; Typewriting; Spelling, Grade 2 — 8; and Reading books,

Grade 4 and 5. The growing numbers in each class demand many additions of existing texts.

School Cafeteria

In spite of crowded conditions 39,651 type A complete lunches and 5,260 bottles of milk were served. When one realizes that the type A lunch contains at least 2 oz. serving of meat, fish, cheese, peanut butter, egg, dried beans or peas, ¾ cup of cooked or raw fruit or vegetable, one or more slices of whole grain or enriched bread, 2 teaspoons of butter or fortified margarine and ½ pint whole milk, and usually dessert of some kind, it is easily seen why this program is so popular with pupils and parents alike. With the aid of Federal reimbursements and surplus commodities the price per lunch has remained at $.20. The success of our Lunch Program is in great measure due to the splendid work of Mrs. Eugene Hammond, Mrs. Minnie Huber, Mrs. Susie Hillock and Mrs. Charlotte Black.

Adult Education

The Practical Art Classes, sponsored by the Northfield Evening Practical Art program, continues to find interest among the adult population. During the year, 117 adults entered creative work and instruction.

January to May 1953

Class	*Number*	*Teacher*
Rug Hooking	14	Mrs. Ralph Spencer
Sewing	16	Mrs. William Black
Chair Caning	15	Mr. Ralph Sargent
Textile Painting	16	Mr. Douglas Jones
Total	61	

October to December 1953

Rug Hooking	21	Mrs. Ralph Spencer
Decorative Arts	16	Miss Harriet Hawkes
Chair Caning	19	Mr. Ralph Sargent
Total	56	
	Total for Year	117

FINANCIAL STATEMENT — VOCATIONAL EDUCATION

Northfield Evening Practical Arts

Appropriation	$ 700.00
Transfer from Reserve Fund	29.68
Reimbursement from State	148.81
George Barden Fund	400.00
Registration — Spring	61.00
Registration — Fall	56.00

Tuition — Spring	3.00	
Tuition — Town of Gill	9.60	
Tuition — Town of Bernardston	29.40	
Total	$1,439.49	$1,439.49
Expenditures:		
Teachers' Salaries	$ 700.00	
Northfield Schools	20.00	
Western Mass. Electric	30.68	
McIntosh & Son, Inc.	24.00	
Jack Spindler	60.00	
New Eng. Tel. & Tel.	3.00	
Total		$ 837.68
Balance		601.81
Net Cost to Town		$ 127.87

Due to the fact that all monies except the George Barden Funds, must be entered in surplus funds of the town, the program must ask for a considerable appropriation. However, it will be noticed that the actual cost to the taxpayer was only $127.87 for the year 1953.

Repair and Improvements

The redecoration program was continued by redecorating three classrooms, the office, nurse's room, cafeteria in the Center School and by repairing the roof and repainting the outside trim of the High School. An incinerator was added to the boiler room of the Center School. This is proving to be of great savings in rubbish disposal as well as helping to keep the building neat and safer from fire. From lunch funds, a 42 cu. ft. refrigerator, cooks' work table and a cabinet were added to the equipment of the lunch room.

The exterior of the Center School will need attention next summer. There remains one classroom, corridors of the Center School, four classrooms, teachers' room, office, toilet rooms, and corridors of the High School Building needing redecoration. It seems most wise to continue the present program of redecoration.

Finances

This past year the educational program cost the local taxpayer $57,865.13. The total expenditure was $92,534.17, the difference of $34,669.64 being, for the most part, state reimbursements. These reimbursements represent 37% of the total bill. This year our enrollment increased from 342 to 380. This makes the net cost to the local taxpayer of $163.16 per pupil for the fiscal year 1952 and $152.26 for the fiscal year 1953. On the per pupil basis the net cost of education was $10.90 less than the previous year.

Under the present reimbursement laws the State Aid and other reimbursements should approximate $37,562.53 in 1954.

This figure is derived as follows:

Chapter 70 State Aid	$17,647.48
Vocational Tuition	1,071.86
Vocational Transportation	818.62
Supt. Salary and Travel	1,225.57
Transportation	14,337.00
State Wards	2,000.00
Warwick Tuition	462.00
	$37,562.53

These reimbursements depend, in part, on the expenditures and can vary from the estimated figures.

Next year's budget calls for an expenditure of $98,300.00. This represents an increase of 6.2% over the expenditures of the last year. If the estimated receipts should prove to be correct this means an increase of $2,872.34 to the local taxpayer. If our estimated enrollment figures are well taken, it would mean a per pupil net cost of $151.84, as compared with $152.26 for this year. In general, personal services and transportation are the chief causes of the increased total.

Once again, as our schools face the new year with many grave problems yet to be solved, I sincerely invite you to visit our schools in action. In that way, you can observe first hand our achievements, our shortcomings, our handicaps and our perplexing problems. Your suggestions, based on that knowledge, will prove of great help to us. I feel that this quotation from the School Executive magazine best expresses this situation: "Working with others, you will not only learn how good your schools are, but you will discover how good you want your school to become."

I wish to thank the School Committee, Principals, Teachers, Secretarial Staff and workers of our schools for their continued cooperation and assistance. Likewise, I thank the parents, town departments, pupils, and civic organizations in helping to make 1953 a most successful school year.

Respectfully submitted,

F. SUMNER TURNER
Superintendent of Schools

Report of School Organization

HIGH SCHOOL

Name	*Subject or Grade*	*Where Educated*
George M. Leonard	Principal Science	Bridgewater State Teachers College, B.S. Boston University, M.Ed.
Evelyn G. Lawley	Assistant Principal Science Mathematics Social Studies	Smith College, A.M. *University of Massachusetts *Boston University
Nellie W. Dearstyne	Spanish English	American International College, B.A. Springfield College, M.Ed. *Columbia University Merrill Business College
Thomas C. Higgins, Jr.	Mathematics Social Studies Physical Education	University of Maine, B.A. *University of Connecticut
M. Carleton Brown	Commercial	Bay Path Institute *Northeastern University
Eleanor A. Hammond	Latin Social Studies Mathematics	Wheaton College, A.B. Mount Holyoke, A.M. *Boston University *Colorado College of Agriculture and Mining

Beryle M. Hammond	Home Economics	University of New Hampshire, B.S.
	English	*University of Massachusetts
Jean E. Kozolowski	English	Tufts College, B.A.
Virginia Raymond	Music Supervisor	Boston University, B.A.
Barbara Mankowsky	School Nurse	Mercy Hospital, R.N., Springfield, Mass.
Jeannette L. Rich	Art Supervisor	Mass. School of Art, B.S. in Ed.
		*Booth Bay Summer School

*Attended without graduation.

CENTER SCHOOL

Name	*Subject or Grade*	*Where Educated*
Dorothy T. Herrick	Principal	Fitchburg Normal
	Grade 4	*University Extension
Ruth Bolton	Grade 1	Fitchburg Normal
		*University Extension
Mrs. Marion Nau	Grades 2 and 3	Fitchburg Normal
Virginia S. Haack	Grade 2	Stevens Institute Technology (Academy)
		*Leslie College Extension Course
		Berlitz School of Language
		*University Extension
		*University of Maryland
Dorothea B. Holt	Grade 1	Keene Teachers College
		*University of Vermont
		*University Extension
		Keene Teachers College Extension

Mary E. Dalton	Grade 3	Northfield Seminary *Massachusetts State Teachers' College *Hyannis Normal *University Extension
Evelyn H. Parker	Grade 5	North Adams State Teachers, B.S.
Hugh S. Hayden	Grade 6	University of New Hampshire, B.S.

*Attended without graduation.

SCHOOL CUSTODIANS

John Spindler

Part-Time Assistant
Charles Janes

SCHOOL LUNCH

Mrs. Minnie Huber

Mrs. Charlotte Black

Mrs. Susie Hillock

SCHOOL COMMITTEE FINANCIAL REPORT

Appropriation *Item*	Appropriation 1953	Expended 1953	Recommended 1954
Superintendent's Salary	$ 2,153.00	$ 2,108.67	$ 2,293.00
Out-of-State Travel	35.00	28.00	35.00
Administration Expense	121.00	127.50	141.00
Clerk	735.00	735.03	822.00
Salaries, Teachers	53,332.50	52,385.45	57,197.00
Supervisor, Music	883.50	933.00	960.00
Supervisor, Art	694.00	498.53	672.00
Supervisor, Penmanship	500.00	450.00	500.00
Textbooks	1,000.00	937.15	1,000.00
Supplies, Student	1,500.00	1,638.33	1,500.00
Domestic Science	100.00	69.67	100.00
Supplies, Janitor	600.00	882.85	500.00
Salaries, Janitor	3,950.00	4,015.42	3,950.00
Sports Officials	100.00	111.50	100.00
Fuel	3,404.00	2,636.20	3,000.00
Water and Current	950.00	972.42	950.00
Repairs	500.00	905.96	500.00
New Equipment	700.00	918.88	500.00
Medical, Physician	300.00	300.00	300.00
Nurse	600.00	600.00	650.00
Tuition, Vocational	2,700.00	2,082.78	2,180.00
Transportation	14,196.00	14,575.43	16,650.00
Transportation, Vocational	1,837.00	1,591.58	2,200.00
Sundry Education	600.00	759.25	600.00
Special Project	1,300.00	2,271.17	1,000.00
Totals	$ 92,791.00	$ 92,534.77	$ 98,300.00
Refund	3.20		
	$ 92,794.20		
Returned to Town Treasury			$ 259.20

State Aid and Net Cost of Education

Year	*Total Expenditures*	*State Aid and Other Receipts*	*%*	*Net Cost of Education*
1942	$ 35,100.20	$ 11,737.39	33	$ 23,362.81
1943	35,494.34	11,364.94	32	24,129.40
1944	38,389.09	10,164.53	27	28,524.56
1945	41,091.11	10,545.66	26	30,545.45
1946	44,768.34	10,967.61	25	33,800.73
1947	57,711.99	19,561.29	33.9	38,150.70
1948	60,267.81	20,824.44	34.5	39,443.37

1949	68,938.71	28,504.23	41.3	40,479.48
1950	74,641.75	31,808.52	43.6	42,833.42
1951	82,123.95	32,881.28	40	49,242.67
1952	88,485.13	32,682.11	37	55,803.02
1953	92,534.77	34,669.64	37	57,865.13

Net Cost of Schools in 1953

Expenditures		$ 92,534.77
State of Massachusetts Reimbursements:		
Chapter 70 as amended 1948 Chapter 643	$ 17,647.48	
Vocational Tuition	1,056.24	
Transportation	12,297.68	
Vocational Transportation	856.13	
State Wards: Tuition and Transportation	1,365.93	
Supt.'s Salary and Travel	1,222.18	
Tuition: Town of Warwick	224.00	
		$ 34,669.64
1953 Net Cost of Education		$ 57,865.13
1952 Net Cost of Education		55,803.02
Net Increase		$ 2,062.11
Net Cost Per Pupil Fiscal Year 1952		$ 163.16
Net Cost Per Pupil Fiscal Year 1953		$ 152.26

CENTER SCHOOL LUNCH ROOM

January, 1953 - December, 1953

Net Worth (Cash, Inventory, Claims)			$ 2,045.89
FINANCIAL STATEMENT:			
Cash Balance		$ 809.86	
Complete Lunch (Student)	$ 7,671.80		
Complete Lunch (Adult)	653.10		
Milk	282.71		
Government Reimbursement	3,872.45		
Miscellaneous	2.00		
Receipts for the Year		12,482.06	
Total		$ 13,291.92	
Disbursements			
Food	$ 4,592.15		
Milk	2,658.91		
Salaries	2,966.52		

Other	2,073.22		
Total		12,290.80	
Cash Balance		$ 1,001.12	
Cash Balance	$ 1,001.12		
Inventory	377.35		
U. S. D. A. Claims—Nov.	422.62		
Dec.	386.64		
Total Assests		$ 2,187.73	
Liabilities (Unpaid Bills)			
Lindell Motor Express	$ 8.00		
Com. of Mass.	12.00		
Total Liabilities		20.00	
Net Worth			$ 2,167.73
Net Gain for Year			$ 121.84

Report on School Census — 1953

	Boys	*Girls*	*Total*
Between Oct. 1, 1946 and Oct. 1, 1952	162	169	331
Between Oct. 1, 1944 and Oct. 1, 1946	131	121	252
Between Oct. 1, 1936 and Oct. 1, 1944	32	31	63
Total			646

Enrollment by Grades, October 1, 1953

Grade	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
Boys	28	22	23	12	22	16	24	14	11	8	5	7
Girls	27	15	18	22	15	22	18	11	13	9	10	8
Total	55	37	41	34	37	38	42	25	24	17	15	15

Resident Enrollment by Schools

	Boys	*Girls*
Center School	123	119
High School	69	69
Greenfield Vocational	8	0
Greenfield Jr. High	0	1
Greenfield Evening Vocational	5	0
Mount Hermon School	11	0
Northfield School for Girls	0	15
Eaglebrook	2	0

Deerfield Academy	1	0	
Brattleboro, Vt.	2	0	
Americanization Classes	1	0	
Totals	222	204	
Boys			222
Girls			204
Grand Total			426

Report of High School Principal

To the Superintendent of Schools and School Committee:

I herewith submit my seventh annual report as principal of Northfield High School.

The past year has seen a marked improvement in school spirit and cooperation on the part of our student body. This improvement has been due to an increased interest in student affairs and activities, the formation of a student council, and the realization of the value of a high school education in today's world.

Although our graduating class in June was the smallest for a number of years, those who graduated have kept up the interest in education beyond the secondary school. Three of the seven graduates are now receiving additional education and are doing well in their chosen fields. One graduate was accepted at the University of Massachusetts without examination. A high percentage of students attending the university are required to take College Entrance Board Examinations. This student is doing very well, which is an honor to himself and to our school. Another graduate attends Becker Junior College and was on the Dean's list during the first marking period. Two other graduates have obtained employment in the commercial field and the remaining two have entered the armed forces.

Organization and Program

During the past year there were no changes among faculty members. Because of a large seventh grade which required two divisions, most faculty members were required to teach one additional subject. Each teacher now is carrying a full load of subjects. The subject enrollments for this fall are as follows:

English 9	22	Biology	17
English 10	18	Chemistry	9
English 11	18	General Math.	16
English 12	14	Algebra I	9
Spanish I	10	Algebra II	13

Spanish II	4	Home Economics I	9
Latin I	8	Home Economics II	3
U.S. History	15	Shorthand I	11
Problems of Democracy	15	Shorthand II	3
Typewriting I	20	Bookkeeping I	8
Typewriting II	20	Office Practice	5
Art	18	Grade 7	22
Civics	23	Grade 7[1]	21
General Science	11	Grade 8	26

Extra-Curricular Program

Good Government Day representative
DAVID MROCZEK

D.A.R. Good Citizen
BEVERLY BUFFUM

Annual Magazine Sales Drive
$1,441.40

Boys' sports (Border League)
Basketball — tied for third
Baseball — third
Soccer — third

Girls' sports (Border League)
Basketball — third
Softball — first
Volleyball — tied for first

Twenty-four seniors and chaperons from our school and Powers Institute made the usual successful pilgrimage to Washington and New York during the April vacation. Again, it was my privilege to plan and organize the trip, thereby saving considerable tour fees previously paid.

Our yearbook, "The Review", received second place ratings in both the Columbia Scholastic Press Association and the Western Massachusetts School Publications contests.

Early in the fall we started a series of weekly broadcasts of high school news by various students over Mrs. Miller's Northfield news broadcasts. They have been well received.

Commencement Program

Baccalaureate services were conducted at the Christian Advent Church in South Vernon by the Rev. Everett Moore on Sunday, June 7, 1953. Outdoor Class Day exercises were conducted in back of the high school by the graduates before an audience of students and parents on Wednesday afternoon, June 10. This was a departure from the usual procedure and proved to be very popular.

The graduation program presented at the Town Hall on Thursday, June 11, 1953, was as follows:

Processional — *"War March of the Priests"*	MENDELSSOHN
Flag Salute	AUDIENCE
Invocation	REV. JOSEPH REEVES
Solo — *"The Lord's Prayer"*	MRS. LEONARD STEBBINS
Welcome	GEORGE SHELDON
Honor Essay	JULIA NIKOLAJEVS
Honor Essay	GEORGE SHELDON
Music — *"Beautiful Savior"*	CHRISTIANSEN
"Drink to Me Only with Thine Eyes"	KRONES

GLEE CLUB

Announcement of Awards	PRINCIPAL, GEORGE M. LEONARD
Commencement Address — *"Opportunity Ahead!"*	DR. TRENTWELL MASON WHITE
Presentation of Diplomas	SUPERINTENDENT, F. SUMNER TURNER
Class Song — *"Senior Song 1932"*	GRADUATES
Words by MYRON JOHNSON	
School Song — *"Boosting"*	ALL STUDENTS AND ALUMNI
Benediction	REV. RICHARD SECHRIST
Recessional — *"Pomp and Circumstance"*	ELGAR

Music under the direction of MRS. ALBERT RAYMOND
Accompanist — MRS. ROBERT BARNES

CLASS ROLL

With Honor

GEORGE WILLIAM SHELDON	JULIA NIKOLAJEVS
WILLIAM MERIT BARNES	MADELENE LUCILLE CARPENTER
BEVERLY ANN BUFFUM	CAROL ADRIENNE GALLANT

DAVID JOHN MROCZEK

The following were the awards made at graduation time:

Becker College Key — for excellence in bookkeeping	JULIA NIKOLAJEVS
D.A.R. Good Citizen Award	BEVERLY BUFFUM
Bausch & Lomb Award — for excellence in science	GEORGE W. SHELDON
Pro Merito Certificate and Pins	GEORGE W. SHELDON JULIA NIKOLAJEVS
Readers Digest Award	GEORGE W. SHELDON

Financial

The following is a statement of the Northfield High School Funds for the year 1953:

NORTHFIELD HIGH SCHOOL — SCHOOL FUND

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

January 1, 1953 — December 31, 1953

Account	*Balance*	*Income*	*Expenses*	*Balance*
Class of 1953	$ 606.11	$ 1 132.85	$ 1,738.96	$———
Class of 1954	227.74	1,088.42	535.09	781.07
Class of 1955	138.62	281.53	75.00	345.15
Class of 1956	174.68	115.26	60.86	229.08
Class of 1957	68.91	.35	———	69.26
Class of 1958	———	30.00	30.00	———
Press Club	124.28	772.93	835.29	61.92
Glee Club	125.56	90.50	44.40	171.66
Student Council Fund	513.60	1,869.62	1,602.94	780.28
Totals	$ 1,979.50	$ 5,381.46	$ 4,922.54	$ 2,438.42

Northfield High Athletic Fund

Balance on hand January 1, 1953		$ 62.70	
Receipts:			
Admissions to games	$ 255.50		
Donations	5.00		
		260.50	
Total			$ 323.20
Expenses:			
Officials	$ 117.00		
Cleaning uniforms	142.90		
Transportation	50.00		
Oranges	1.62		
			$ 311.52
Balance on hand December 31, 1953			$ 11.68

In conclusion, may I extend my personal thanks to all of the school officials, teachers, students and citizens of Northfield for their helpful cooperation during the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE M. LEONARD, Principal

Report of Center School Principal

To the Superintendent of Schools:

I herewith submit my seventh annual report for the Center School.

The same teaching staff and arrangement of grade placements as last year continued into the year 1953 until November first when Mrs. Ruth Stebbins, teacher of grades two and three, resigned to make her home in Florida. Mrs. Marion Grout Nau of Greenfield, with several years of substitute teaching experience, was obtained to complete the school year.

National Education Week was again observed by a combined "Open House" in connection with the P.T.A. Following a supper served in the lunch room typical of the regular school lunches, and a meeting of the P.T.A., a great number of parents and friends circulated from room to room for discussions with the teachers and observation of displays of work being done by the pupils. Many also visited the individual classrooms during the week to observe the children following the daily routine of a school day. It is also gratifying to note that many parents visited during the course of the school year. We wish to renew our standing invitation for parents and adult friends to visit our classrooms during school hours and follow with us our regular schedule of schoolwork.

Interest and effort is still being placed on dental care. Miss Genevieve Ely of the state department visited each classroom to give out pamphlets and encouragement to continue our good progress toward a higher percentage of pupils having dental work done. A graph was made showing our standings by the pupils in the sixth grade. Leading in percentage of dental certificates received were Mrs. Herrick's fourth grade, succeeded by Miss Dalton's third grade, and the present holder is Mrs. Bolton's first grade. Competition is quite keen in every classroom so we watch the progress with interest.

I wish to thank Mr. Turner, the School Committee, Miss McComb, my co-workers, and the parents and friends of our pupils for their cooperation and interest in Center School.

Respectfully submitted,

DOROTHY T. HERRICK

MUSIC SUPERVISOR'S REPORT

To the Superintendent of Schools and the School Committee of the Town of Northfield:

I herewith submit my report as music supervisor.

The past year has been an interesting one for music in the Northfield public schools. Modern texts, integrated records, and increased enthusiasm have added much to the enjoyment of music by our boys and girls. A special effort has been made to integrate music with regular school activities. Emphasis has also been placed upon rhythm, listening, and eurhythmics. Each of the Center School classes has observed the seasons and holidays with special material and has shared its music with other classes. As an example of this activity the fifth grade put on the operetta "Hansel and Gretel" by Humperdinck with properties and costumes devised by the pupils themselves.

In the High School, the Glee Club had a busy year. The presence of a good proportion of boys made for a better balance of voices than previously. The mid-winter was marked by a joint Glee Club Concert with Powers Institute of Bernardston given once in each town. Later in the spring an operetta "Chonita" was given in the Town Hall before a good-sized audience. The year was concluded with the singing of the club at graduation.

This fall our largest Glee Club to date started work for the year. Owing to the crowded conditions, a selected group from the club sang selections for the Christmas program.

Again my thanks are extended for excellent cooperation on the part of staff and pupils. I look forward to the year 1954 as one in which we shall go forward in music.

Respectfully submitted,

VIRGINIA B. RAYMOND

ART SUPERVISOR'S REPORT

To the Superintendent of Schools and the School Committee:

I herewith submit this, my first report on the art education in the schools of Northfield.

It has been our policy to make the art program as flexible as possible and adaptable to the individual interests and needs of each pupil.

The basic fundamentals of drawing have been combined with the development of the creative abilities and skills to build in the child a sense of appreciation and discrimination in art as well as increased skill in drawing.

The program has been shaped to include interest both in the child who merely enjoys expressing himself graphically and the child who is already an embryo artist.

Although somewhat limited as to the time and space necessary for the well-rounded art course in the high school, we have endeavored to develop the individual abilities of the students of those classes as far as possible.

Whenever the occasion has presented itself, we have enjoyed collaborating with the teachers on class projects correlating art with the academic subjects. This has also included pupil participation in the making of posters, programs and decorations for school functions.

It has been a pleasure to work with a group of teachers who have shown such a friendly spirit of cooperation as well as individual initiative in helping to carry out the art program.

Respectfully submitted,

JEANETTE LORING RICH

SCHOOL NURSE'S REPORT

To the Superintendent of Schools:

I herewith submit my report as school nurse from January 1, 1953 through December 31, 1953.

In June the annual Pre-School Clinic was conducted with Dr. F. Wilton Dean, school physician in attendance. At this time all children entering the first grade in September were examined with each parent present.

In September dental slips were distributed in grades one through six to be taken to their family dentist filled out and returned to me. This examination by the dentist, as during the previous year, was done free of charge to encourage dental care. A large number of dental certificates have been returned to individual classrooms indicating all necessary dental care has been complete however dental defects still remain our greatest health problem in our school and can never be overly stressed.

The usual number of contagious diseases prevail in our school and this could be kept at a minimum if parents would cooperate in

not sending their ill child to school when abnormal conditions exist.

Any contagious diseases must be reported to the chairman of the Board of Health, Mr. Ernest Parker, by either the parent or family physician.

In October the Hearing and Vision testing were completed. Out of 183 students taking the Vision Test, there were 28 who failed the test. The parents of each of these children failing this test were notified.

I wish to thank Mr. Turner, Supt. of schools; Dr. F. W. Dean; the teachers in our school system; and all the parents who have made my work so pleasant by their cooperation this past year.

Respectfully submitted,

BARBARA E. MANKOWSKY, R.N.

SCHOOL PHYSICIAN'S REPORT

To the Superintendent of Schools:

1953 has been a rather uneventful year as regards the health activities in the Northfield school system. There were no epidemics or other major health problems.

The usual physical examinations were given to all the pupils in Grades I, IV, VII, and X, and to all new pupils, and to all in the upper grades who were to participate in competitive sports. Most of the first graders were examined at the June pre-school clinic, the children being accompanied by their parents. The parents were invited in advance to all the examinations but few took advantage of this opportunity to discuss the health problems of their child with the school physician. Few defects were found during the examinations this year, defective teeth being the commonest condition found.

Tuberculin (Patch) tests were given to the majority of the high school students this fall. This is a useful test to screen the school population for tuberculosis. Only two reactors were found. Both of these were sent to the clinic in Greenfield for chest X-rays.

Respectfully submitted,

F. WILTON DEAN, M.D.

Report on Athletic Field

Appropriation			$ 400.00
Expenditures:			
Labor:			
Hugh S. Hayden	$ 98.25		
George Mello	35.60		
Walter Shaw	37.25		
		$ 171.10	
Supplies:			
Melvin Miller	$ 128.00		
Smead Lumber Co.	12.60		
Kidder, Inc.	19.21		
Spencer Brothers	3.35		
W. N. Potter	4.00		
F. Sumner Turner	1.05		
Hamilton Cregar	3.60		
		$ 171.81	
Repairs:			
Weidenmiller and Magovern	$ 37.50		
Morgan Garage	2.25		
		$ 39.75	
Total Expenditures			$ 382.66
Balance			$ 17.34

Respectfully Submitted,

Northfield School Committee

LOUIS ABBEY, Chairman
I. J. LAWRENCE, Secretary
ROY FISH

VETERANS' AGENT REPORT

Submitted herewith is a report of the Department of Veterans' Benefits for the year 1953.

Northfield has been a member of the Central Franklin County District Veterans' Service Center since its organization in 1945.

Since that time, this department has endeavored to render the proper rehabilitation services to all the veterans who have requested assistance. Some 5651 personal contacts were made during the past year. It would be impossible to list in this brief report the many varied cases to come to our attention and to break them down as applicable to the seven communities comprising the district. A detailed report has been submitted to the Board of Selectmen.

We have provided Veterans' Benefits (financial aid) to six needy families of Northfield representing some twelve persons. This resulted in the expenditure of $3730 with a reimbursement of $1850 due from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 115 as amended, Massachusetts General Laws. Proper referrals have made it possible to keep this amount at its present level.

This office has completed the recording of the discharges of the World War II veterans who have been processed via this office. These recordings have been bound in attractive volumes and are being safeguarded in a bank vault for future reference.

We should like to express our appreciation to the Selectmen of Northfield and the various other town officials who have assisted us in the past years. Our gratitude is also extended to the citizens of Northfield who by their support have made this service to their veterans possible.

Respectfully submitted,

HOMER L. GAMELIN,
Veterans' Agent.

TOWN WARRANT

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

FRANKLIN, ss.

To either of the Constables of the Town of Northfield in the County of Franklin: *Greeting*:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of said Town, qualified to vote in elections and in Town affairs, to meet in the Town Hall in said Town, on February 1, 1954 at ten o'clock in the A. M. then and there to bring in their votes by ballot for the following officers for the coming year:

> Town Clerk, Town Treasurer, for one year, one Selectman for three years, one Selectman for one year, to fill vacancy, one Assessor for three years, one Assessor for one year, to fill vacancy, Town Moderator for one year, one School Committee Member for three years, one Cemetery Commissioner for three years, two Library Trustees for three years, Tree Warden for one year, Tax Collector for one year, three Constables for one year, one Constable for one year, a resident of Northfield Farms, and one member of the Planning Board for five years.

The Polls will open at ten A. M. and close at eight P. M.

And you are directed also to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Northfield, qualified to vote in Town affairs, to meet in the Town Hall in said Town on Tuesday, February 2, 1954 as seven o'clock in the evening, then and there to act on the following articles.

Article 1. To hear the reports of the several Town Officers, and act thereon.

Article 2. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time, in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1954,

and to issue a note or notes thereof, payable within one year, and to renew such notes as may be given for a period of less than one year, in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44, General Laws; any debt or debts incurred under this vote to be paid from the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1954.

Article 3. To see if the Town will empower the Selectmen to defend the Town in any suit brought aginst the Town, or act thereon.

Article 4. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of $150 for the use of the Library at Northfield Farms, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommend $150.00

Article 5. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of money to be used by the Tree Warden in the care and preservation of shade trees, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommend $750.00

Article 6. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of money for lighting the streets, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommend $4,565.00

Article 7. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of money for tools for highway work, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommend $200.00

Article 8. To see if the Town will vote to fix the salary and compensation of all elective officers of the Town as provided by section 108 of Chapter 41, General Laws, as amended, or act thereon.

Selectmen and Welfare Boards:		
Chairman of Board	$325	$75
Second Member	275	75
Third Member	275	75
Assessors:		
First Member		$250
Second Member		250
Third Member		250
Town Moderator		$ 15
Treasurer		900
Tax Collector		750
Town Clerk		500
School Committee:		
Chairman		$100
Second Member		100
Third Member		100

Article 9. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate such sums of money as shall be necessary for salaries and other Town Charges, or act thereon.

Selectmen's & Welfare Board Salary	$1,100
Selectmen's expense a/c	250
Assessors' Salary	750
Assessors' expense a/c	225
Treasurer's Salary	900
Treasurer's expense a/c	400
Tax Collector's Salary	750
Tax Collector's exp. a/c	500
Town Clerk's Salary	500
Town Clerk's exp. a/c	80
School Committee Salary	300
Town Moderator's Salary	15
Town Accountant's Salary	950
Town Accountant's exp, a/c	75
Sealer Weights & Measures	125
Sealer's expense a/c	25
Inspection of Animals	175
Dog Officer & exp.	150
Inspection of Meat & Slaughtering	50
Public Health	1,250
Schools	98,300
Fire Department	2,500
Maintenance Water Holes	400
Alexander Hall	175
Old Age Assistance	37,500
Aid to Dependent Children	5,000
General Relief	5,000
Disability Assistance	3,000
Public Welfare Adm.	2,500
Soldiers' Relief	3,500
Machinery Maintenance acct. (Tr. from Rd. Mach. Fd.)	5,500
Bridges	3,000
Election & Registrations	1,100
Fire & Casualty Ins.	3,000
Interest Account	200
Town Hall Care	4,800
Legal Expenses	250
Damages	200
Town Clock & Fountain	150
Town Reports	800
Snow Remoal	5,500
Public Safety	25
Protection Tax Title Property	25
Highway Bounds, Surveys and Plans	250
Wire Inspector & expense	50

Article 10. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of $5,100.00 for the operation of the Dickinson Memorial Library, this sum to include the fines collected, and the dog tax, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommend $5,100.00

Article 11. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of $400.00 for repairs on copper gutters on the Dickinson Memorial Library, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommend $400.00

Article 12. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of money to be used in the extermination of the Gypsy Moth, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommend $850.00

Article 13. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of money to be used by the Gypsy Moth agent for the removal of dead wood and spraying of the Town elms, to combat Dutch Elm disease, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommend $600.00

Article 14. To see if the Town will authorize the Assessors to appoint one of their members as Clerk of the Board, and that the salary be $500.00 in accordance with Section 4A, Chapter 41, General Laws, and raise and appropriate money for same.

The Finance Committee recommend $500.00

Article 15. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of money for the salary of a Public Health Nurse, and substitute nurse, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommend $2,750.00

Article 16. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of money for the Public Health Nurse's expense account, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommend $75.00

Article 17. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of money for the expense of the Public Health Nurse's car, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommend $550.00

Article 18. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of money for the care and preservation of cemeteries, or take any vote or votes in relation thereto.

The Finance Committee recommend $1,350.00

Article 19. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to resurface the road in the Center Cemetery, or take any vote or votes in relation thereto.

The Finance Committee recommend $350.00

Article 20. To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to enter into contract with the Board of Public Works, Division of Highways, for repair and improvement of roads and highways exclusive of state highways, and raise and appropriate or transfer from unappropriated, available

funds in the treasury, a sum of money for Chapter 81 Highways, or take any action in relation thereto.

The Finance Committee recommend to raise and appropriate $4,875.00 and to transfer $7,500.00 from unappropriated available funds.

Article 21. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from unappropriated, available funds in the treasury, a sum of money for Chapter 90 Highway construction, or take any action in relation thereto.

The Finance Committee recommend to raise and appropriate $2,000.00 and to transfer $6,000.00 from unappropriated available funds.

Article 22. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from unappropriated, available funds in the treasury, a sum of money for Chapter 90 maintenance, or take any action in relation thereto.

The Finance Committee recommend to raise and appropriate $1,000.00 and to transfer $2,000.00 from unappropriated available funds.

Article 23. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from unappropriated, available funds in the treasury, a sum of money for Chapter 90 work on Pine Meadow Bridge and approaches, or take any action in relation thereto.

The Finance Committee recommend to raise and appropriate $3,000.00 and to transfer $9,000.00 from unappropriated available funds.

Article 24. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of money to be used in putting up railing, or take any vote or votes in relation thereto.

The Finance Committee recommend $900.00

Article 25. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of money to repair sidewalks, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommend $1,000.00

Article 26. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of money for Constables' pay and expense, or take any vote or votes in relation thereto.

The Finance Committee recommend $500.00

Article 27. To see if the Town will vote to transfer a sum of money from the Road Machinery Fund to be used in trading for a new Town truck and the purchase of snow plows, or take any vote or votes in relation thereto.

The Finance Committee recommend the transfer of $3,600.00 from the Road Machinery Fund.

Article 28. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to be expended under the direction of the Northfield Post of the Ameican Legion and the Northfield Post of the Veterans of Foreign Wars for the purpose of celebrating Memorial Day, or pass any vote or votes in relation thereto.

The Finance Committee recommend $275.00

Article 29. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of money for hydrant service for sixteen hydrants to be paid to the Northfield Water Co. for water supplying the hydrants for fire protection, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommend 400.00

Article 30. To hear the report of the War Memorial Committee and take any vote or votes thereon.

Article 31. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $200.00 to be used in the purchase of fish to be liberated in streams in the Town of Northfield, under the supervision of the Selectmen, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommend $200.00

Article 32. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of money to install a street light on Woodruff Way (formerly Linden Avenue) near the residence of the Mayberry family and the junction of Lyman Street, or take any vote or votes in relation thereto.

The Finance Committee recommend $24.00

Article 33. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to erect and maintain three street lights on Ashuelot Road between the State Road, Route 63, and the New Hampshire state line, or take any vote or votes in relation thereto.

The Finance Committee recommend $72.00

Article 34. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of money to meet foreclosure cost on tax titles, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommend $300.00

Article 35. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of money for the care of the playground and athletic field, this sum to be expended under the supervision of the School Committee, or take any vote or votes in relation thereto.

The Finance Committee recommend $200.00 for maintenance and $200.00 for improvement

Article 36. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of money to maintain state-aided vocational education in accordance with the provisions of Section 14 of Chapter 74, General Laws, or take any vote or votes in relation thereto.

The Finance Committee recommend $700.00

Article 37. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of money for highway work, to be expended under the direction of the Selectmen, or take any vote or votes in relation thereto.

The Finance Committee recommend $2,000.00

Article 38. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of money to be used in making repairs on discontinued school buildings, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommend $1,000.00

Article 39. To see if the Town will rescind the vote taken at the annual town meeting, February 8, 1937, donating the use of Number 6 Schoolhouse to the Dwight L. Moody Memorial Church.

Article 40. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to let the community have the use of the old Number 6 school building on the Gulf Road for religious purposes.

Article 41. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of money for the care and maintenance of the fire station and town garage, or take any vote or votes in relation thereto.

The Finance Committee recommend $500.00

Article 42. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of money for Civil Defense purposes, the same to be expended under the direction of the Selectmen and the Civil Defense Committee, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommend $100.00

Article 43. To see if the Town will vote to accept the sum of $300.00 from the estate of Nettie E. Gilbert as a trust fund, the income to be used for the perpetual care of lot number 158 in Northfield Farms Cemetery.

Article 44. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate or transfer a sum of money for a reserve fund for the current year, or take any vote or votes in relation thereto.

The Finance Committee recommend the transfer of $5,000.00 from overlay reserve

Article 45. To see if the Town will vote to transfer a sum of money from Surplus Revenue to reduce the tax rate, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommend that $20,000.00 be transferred from Surplus Revenue if permission is granted by the state.

And you are directed to serve this Warrant by posting up attested copies thereof at the Post Offices in Northfield, East Northfield, West Northfield, at the School House in District No. 6 and the Tenney Farms Filling Station at Northfield Farms seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting.

Hereof fail not, and make due return of this Warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk, at the time and place of meeting as aforesaid.

Given under our hands this twenty-second day of January, in the year of our Lord One thousand nine hundred and fifty-four.

ERNEST A. PARKER,

WILLIAM M. MARSHALL,

Selectmen of Northfield.

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WILLIAM F. HOEHN
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TOWN OFFICERS

Moderator
Edgar J. Livingston

Town Clerk
Josephine S. Haskell

Town Treasurer
Charles F. Slate

Selectmen

Ellwyn E. Miller	Term expires February 1955
William M. Marshall, Chmn.	Term expires February 1956
Robert P. Barnes	Term expires February 1957

Assessors

Lee H. Sheldon	Term expires February 1955
Clifford A. Field, Chmn.	Term expires February 1956
Winthrop E. Spencer	Term expires February 1957

Tax Collector

Roy J. Fish	Term expires February 1955

School Committee

Louis M. Abbey, Chmn.	Term expires February 1955
Irving J. Lawrence	Term expires February 1956
Roy J. Fish	Term expires February 1957

Library Trustees

Horace Henry Morse	Term expires February 1955
Gwendolyn O. Leavis	Term expires February 1955
Louise R. Reeves	Term expires February 1956
Luman A. Barber	Term expires February 1956
Lillian G. Wells	Term expires February 1957
Winthrop W. Sanderson	Term expires February 1957

Cemetery Commissioners

Carlton W. Holton	Term expires February 1955
David G. Quinn	Term expires February 1956
Murray M. Hammond	Term expires February 1957

Tree Warden

Frank W. Anderson	Term expires February 1955

Constables

Paul E. Chamberlin	Term expires February 1955
Joseph G. Morgan	Term expires February 1955
Martin E. Vorce	Term expires February 1955
Murray M. Hammond-Farms Resident	Term expires February 1955

Planning Board

William E. Park	Term expires February 1955
Fred A. Holton	Term expires February 1956
F. Wilton Dean	Term expires February 1957
George M. Leonard	Term expires February 1958
L. Percy Goodspeed	Term expires February 1959

Pioneer Valley Regional School District Committee

Robert P. Barnes	Term expires February 1955
Irving J. Lawrence	Term expires February 1955
Walla M. Stearns	Term expires February 1955

Accountant

Helen M. Stearns — Term expires July 1955

Chief of Fire Department

Floyd M. Dunnell, Jr. — Term expires 1955

Forest Fire Warden

Andrew R. Gray — Term expires 1955

Deputy Fire Wardens for 1954

Carlton W. Holton
Edward C. Bolton
Charles R. Browning
Howard Williams
Laurence M. Hammond
Hermon B. Fisher
Winthrop W. Sanderson
Roy A. Barrows

Superintendent of Roads

Kenneth L. Miller — Term expires April 1955

Gypsy Moth Agent

Frank W. Anderson — Term expires 1955

Public Weighers for 1954

F. Myron Dunnell
Geo. O. Dunnell
Dean W. Williams
Roy A. Barrows
Fred B. Kelley
Frank F. Kelley
Burton A. Kelley
Clarence H. Spaulding
Floyd M. Dunnell, Jr.
Leon H. Dunnell

Inspector of Meat and Slaughtering for 1954

Horace W. Bolton

Sealer of Weights and Measures for 1954

Warren A. Randall

Cattle Inspector

Gilbert S. Hammond — Term expires April 1955

Fence Viewers for 1954

Luckey O. Clapp
Carlton W. Holton
Laurence M. Hammond

Surveyors of Wood and Timber for 1954

James E. Dresser
Fred I. Bolton

Field Drivers for 1954

Dog Officer for 1954

Robert L. Gibson

Pound Keeper for 1954

Robert L. Gibson

Registrars of Voters

Charles D. Streeter	Term expires 1955
Laurence M. Hammond, Chmn.	Term expires 1956
Edward F. Hurley	Term expires 1957

Josephine S. Haskell

Finance Committee

Dorothy L. Miller	Term expires February 1955
William E. Park	Term expires February 1955
Roger M. Greenwood, Chmn.	Term expires February 1956
Norman F. Fowler	Term expires February 1956
Wallace E. Stange	Term expires February 1957
George W. Carr	Term expires February 1957

Forest Warden for 1954

Joseph S. Bilmon

Election Officers for 1954

James R. Dale
Helen M. Stearns
Katherine E. Callaghan
Ralph B. Holton
Flora C. Abbey
Frank W. Anderson
Edna Bistrek
Daisy R. Holton

Substitute Election Officers for 1954

Willis K. Parker
Helen Greene
Harrison G. Stacy
Mary G. Parker

SELECTMEN'S REPORT

The Selectmen of the Town of Northfield submit the following reports of the various departments for the year ending Dec. 31, 1954.

Fire Station completed and occupied.

Town Garage completed and occupied.

Road Work confined mostly to Chapter 90 and 81 work.

Pine Meadow Bridge almost completed.

A full report of the several departments will be found on the following pages.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM M. MARSHALL
ROBERT P. BARNES
ELLWYN E. MILLER

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

It is extremely important that the Vital Statistics record be complete and correct. If any errors or omissions are discovered the Clerk will deem it a favor to have them reported at once so that corrections may be made.

As required by Chapter 46, Section 15, General Laws of Massachusetts:

Notice is hereby given that the Town Clerk will furnish blanks for returns of births to parents, householders, physicians, and registered hospital officers applying for the same.

Births Recorded in 1954

Date	*Name*	*Parents*
1953		
—November		
22—	Winship, Diane Joan	Ronald W. and Joan A.
—December		
6—	Williams, Rachel Elaine	Albert J. and Margaret J.
18—	Waterman, Michael Harold	Raymond C. and Jannette A.
19—	Krejmas, Joseph, Jr.	Joseph J. and Stella S.

Date	*Name*	*Parents*
1954		
—January		
14	Bordner, Barry Allan	Frank and Elsie L.
29	Camp, Allan Royce	Clifford R. and Doris F.
—February		
2	Bayles, Marjorie Jean	Herbert L. and Ruth E.
25	Aldrich, Michelle Rose	Stanley E. and Beatrice R.
27	Quinn, Joanne May	David G. and Julia A.
—March		
1	Sojka, Michael Louis	Louis J. and Marguerite L.
7	Stone, Carla Jean	Carl J. and Gloria J.
8	Starkey, Twyla Jane	Lewis H. and Alice S.
19	Fisher, Ellen Lou	Francis H. and Shirley M.
29	Mercer, Lynn Patricia	Richard J. and Bettie T.
—April		
1	Lawrence, Brenda Joyce	Ernest H. and Jean E.
2	Campbell, Thomas Forest, Jr.	Thomas F. and Eleanor L.
3	Huber, Mary Ellen	Robert L. and Eileen B.
16	Lord, Betty Louise	Edward H. and Charlotte S.
22	Boutwell, Deborah Lee	Willard R. and Marianna S.
—May		
11	Gamache, Dale Susan	Everett L. and Mildred S.
16	Arsenault, William Clifford	Fred and Dorothy
22	Collis, Deborah Jean	Raymond H. and Edith M.
—June		
2	Rockwell, Daryl John	Frank J. and Theresa A.
4	Derrig, Robert Kristin	Gordon E. and Barbara J.
9	Fowler, Deborah Ann	Norman F. and Ethel D.
10	Collard, James Bradley	James H. and Patricia A.
11	Sandercock, John Powers	Robert G. and Julia P.
22	Bolton, Susan Louise	Arthur H., Jr. and Elizabeth L.
—July		
24	Billings, Neil Wayne	Wayne R. and Gloria M.
26	Payne, Melinda Fae	George L. and Helen S.
—August		
21	Gifford, Alvena Marie	Adrian E. and Doris M.
24	McLeod, David Eugene	Ralph E. and Mary L.
30	Black, Neil Raymond	Ellsworth R. and Lois M.
—September		
23	McCarthy, Jill Anne	Francis J. and Maxine F.
	—McCarthy, Jane Alice	

Date	*Name*	*Parents*
27	Sanderson, Thomas Martin	Winthrop W. and Alice S.
28	McIntire, Donald Francis, II	Donald F. and Irene M.
28	Baccouche, Shedley Henry	Ralph and Elizabeth S.
—October		
1	Brassor, Richard Martin	Edmond W. and Barbara R.
16	Billings, Susan	Warren M. and Jane B.
29	Brennan, Thomas John	Francis L. and Margaret C.
—November		
2	Stearns, Galen Albert	Dwight P. and Norma A.
3	Bourbeau, Judith Ann	John L. and Edna S.
14	Knapp, Nadine Rae	Ray A. and Erma M.
16	Oertley, Theodore Christopher	Theodore F. and Octa H.
—December		
4	Winship, Ronald William, Jr.	Ronald W. and Joan A.
14	Mankowsky, Thomas Anthony	Joseph M. and Louise E.
14	Fisher, David Arnold	Erwin C. and Shirley M.
16	Shippa, Diane Marie	Lewis C. and June E.
16	Sytnik, Chester Michael, Jr.	Chester M. and Pauline N.

Marriages Recorded in 1954

Date	*Names*	*Residence*	*Place of Marriage*
January			
1	Powell, John Douglas	Northfield	Gill, Mass.
	Thompson, Gloria Louise Wood	Bowling Green, Ohio	
31	Black, Ellsworth Raymond	Northfield	Bernardston, Mass.
	Clark, Lois Marilyn	Bernardston, Mass	
March			
13	Fisher, Russell Charles	Northfield	Northfield, Mass.
	Peacock, Barbara Ann	Springfield, Mass.	
April			
11	Groff, Charles Edward	Ashfield, Mass.	Northfield, Mass
	Heselton, Alice Jean	Springfield, Mass.	
May			
1	Bilmon, Joseph Stanley, Jr.	Northfield, Mass.	Greenfield, Mass.
	Burns, Jane Ann	Greenfield, Mass.	
16	Hadeen, Roy David	Andover, N. H.	Northfield, Mass.
	Chamberlin, Naomi Lula	Northfield, Mass.	
June			
6	Harris, Donald Clark	Reading, Mass.	Northfield, Mass.
	Huber, Julia Ann	Northfield, Mass.	

Date	*Names*	*Residence*	*Place of Marriage*
12—	Doleszny, Micszyslaw	Northfield, Mass.	Northfield, Mass.
	Peer, Mammie Louise	Northfield, Mass.	
19—	Fenner, John H.	Oradell, N. J.	Northfield, Mass.
	Forrest, Shirley L.	Lowell, Mass.	
19—	Field, Charles Frederick, Jr.	Northfield, Mass.	Montague, Mass.
	Newton, Mary Jane	Montague, Mass.	
20—	Cameron, James Stillman	Bridgewater, Mass.	Northfield, Mass.
	Scanlan, Lee Marie	Northfield, Mass.	
July			
3—	Kelley, Frank Stowell	Northfield, Mass.	Northfield, Mass.
	Sevene, Dorothy Elaine	Greenfield, Mass.	
4—	Beekman, Richard Francis	Stoneham, Mass.	Melrose, Mass.
	Ferris, Carolyn Ruth	Northfield, Mass.	
5—	Flewelling, Erwin Paul	Vernon, Vermont	Northfield, Mass.
	Finch, Ellen Lois	Northfield, Mass. (E)	
17—	Washburn, Glendon George	Charlestown, N. H.	Northfield, Mass.
	Ormsby, Mary Ruth	Charlestown, N. H.	
	Boardman		
28—	Warner, Earl LeRoy	Springfield, Mass.	Greenfield, Mass.
	Anderson, Celia Ann Royce	Northfield, Mass.	
August			
14—	Berlind, Harold Edgar	Northfield, Mass.	Northfield, Mass.
	White, Leona Mary	Northfield, Mass.	
14—	Clark, Merritt Nathaniel	Northfield, Mass.	Northfield, Mass.
	Whitman, Janet Virginia	Northfield, Mass.	
28—	Bassett, Richard Henry	Northfield, Mass.	Greenfield, Mass.
	Hewitt, Marion Elizabeth	Greenfield, Mass.	
29—	Wiggins, Cabot Ellsworth	Worcester, Mass.	Gill, Mass.
	Browning, Marilyn Grace	Northfield, Mass.	Mt. Hermon
September			
2—	Holton, Ralph Barnard	Northfield, Mass.	Northfield, Mass.
	Amsden, Mary Louise Mount	Northfield, Mass.	
4—	Campbell, Franklin August	Gill, Mass.	Winchester, N. H.
	Hutchinson, Inez Edith	Northfield, Mass.	
11—	Whitney, Richard Clifton	Northfield, Mass.	Greenfield, Mass.
	Gray, Joanne Carol	Greenfield, Mass.	
25—	Bossie, Roland Albert, Jr.	Nashua, N. H.	Northfield, Mass.
	Garside, Irene Elizabeth	Hudson, N. H.	
October			
19—	Silvonic, Raymond	Northfield, Mass.	Montague, Mass.
	Leach, Norma Eileen	Montague, Mass.	(Millers Falls)

Date	*Names*	*Residence*	*Place of Marriage*
23—	Savage, Franklin Delano	Northfield, Mass.	Northfield, Mass.
	Berry, Sandra Louise	Royalston, Mass.	
30—	Perez, Theodore Francis	Westfield, Mass.	Northfield, Mass.
	Lopez, Maria	Northfield, Mass.	
November			
6—	Rikert, Paul Emory	Northfield, Mass.	Brookfield, Mass.
	Jacobson, Nancy Ann	Brookfield, Mass.	
10—	Clough, Robert Elmer	Northfield, Mass.	Montague, Mass.
	Doane, Joyce Rose	Orange, Mass.	
14—	Burnor, Raymond Francis	Northfield, Mass.	Winchester, N. H.
	Carroll, Patricia Eileen	Northfield, Mass.	

Deaths Recorded in 1954

Date	*Name*	*Age-Years*	*Months*	*Days*
1953				
December				
26—	Lafis, Nicholas	75	3	10
1954				
February				
7—	Peters, Grace Mercier	78	7	27
13—	Fay, George W.	88	6	15
14—	Smolen, David A.	5	7	29
22—	Newton, May Wilkins	75	2	13
27—	Alden, Elbridge Vintun	75	5	4
March				
2—	Baldwin, Annie E. Hallock	91	10	8
10—	Hall, Mary L. Randall	75	6	15
April				
7—	Dexter, Herbert Eugene	89	1	29
23—	Goodnow, John Thomas	82	1	20
May				
1—	Bilmon, Mary Melnich	67	11	16
9—	Clough, Alice Field	72	3	25
12—	Myers, Emma C.	82	1	11
23—	Webber, Donald Richard	1	9	9
June				
7—	Corser, Christine	79	3	1
18—	Auclair, Elizabeth McCarron	68	2	3
23—	Hilliard, William Marsh	65	10	10

Date	*Name*	*Age-Years*	*Months*	*Days*
July				
2	Greenidge, Mabel H.	68	6	4
10	Parmenter, Mabel Edith Pierce	85	7	13
August				
8	Waryas, Karolina Variest	68	6	28
13	Stevens, Helen Symonds	66	3	11
22	Irish, George Calvin	92	1	14
30	Kendrow, Joseph	86	—	—
September				
2	Severance, Harris Alfred	56	2	14
12	Davis, Frederick A.	92	0	20
November				
13	King, Charles H.	90	9	4
December				
21	Kelley, Burton A.	64	4	3
21	Boardman, Carrie Partridge	91	1	4
24	McDonald, Elizabeth Hamilton	78	9	9
26	Janes, Frederick Pascal	61	0	12

Dogs Licensed in 1954

Male Dogs	169
Female	24
Female (Spayed)	99
Special Kennel ($10)	7
Military	5
Transfers	0
	304

Sporting Licenses Issued in 1954

Resident Fishing	90
Resident Hunting	99
Resident Sporting	98
Resident Minor Fishing	34
Resident Women's Fishing	40
Spec. Non-Resident Fishing	21
Non-Resident Fishing	20
Non-Resident Minor Fishing	3
Resident Alien Fishing	1
Resident Trapping	0
Non-Resident Hunting	8
Resident Sporting (Free)	29

Resident Military (Free)	9
Duplicate	5
Old Age Fishing	2
Non-Resident Military Sporting	3
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Copy of the Votes taken at the Annual Election and Town Meeting held in Northfield, Mass., February 1st and 2nd, 1954

February 1, 1954

Seven hundred and fifty-eight ballots were cast for Town Officers with the following results:

Town Clerk, 1 year	Josephine S. Haskell	733
Town Treasurer, 1 year	Charles F. Slate	727
Selectman, 3 years	Robert P. Barnes	409
Selectman, 1 year to fill vacancy	Ellwyn E. Miller	417
Assessor, 3 years	Winthrop E. Spencer	435
Assessor, 1 year to fill vacancy	James E. Dresser	684
Moderator, 1 year	Edgar J. Livingston	662
School Committee Member, 3 years	Roy J. Fish	371
Cemetery Commissioner, 3 years	Murray M. Hammond	690
Library Trustees, 3 years	Lillian G. Wells	614
	Winthrop W. Sanderson	581
Tree Warden, 1 year	Frank W. Anderson	677
Tax Collector, 1 year	Roy J. Fish	684
Constables, 1 year (at large)	Paul E. Chamberlin	664
	Joseph G. Morgan	667
	Niles E. Stone	657
Constable, 1 year		
Resident, Northfield Farms	Murray M. Hammond	685
Planning Board Member, 5 years	L. Percy Goodspeed	648

The polls closed at eight o'clock, the ballots counted and results announced.

The meeting was then closed to be reopened according to the warrant on Tuesday, February 2nd, 1954 at 7:30 P. M.

JOSEPHINE S. HASKELL, Town Clerk.

Copy of the Votes taken February 2, 1954 on the Articles in the Warrant for the Annual Town Meeting.

Article 1. As it was stated by the Moderator that it was unnecessary to take action on the reports in the printed book, no action was taken on the Article.

Article 2: Voted: That the Town authorize the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time, in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1954, and to issue note or notes thereof, payable within one year, and to renew such notes as may be given for a period of less than one year, in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44, General Laws; any debt or debts incurred under this vote to be paid from the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1954.

Article 3. Voted: To empower the Selectmen to defend the Town in any suit brought against the Town.

Article 4. Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of $150.00 for the use of the Library at Northfield Farms.

Article 5. Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of $750.00 to be used by the Tree Warden in the care and preservation of shade trees.

Article 6. Voted: To raise and appropriate a sum of $4,565.00 to be used for lighting the streets.

Article 7. Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of $200.00 for tools for highway work.

Article 8. Voted: To fix the salaries and compensation of all elective officers of the Town as provided by Section 108 of Chapter 41, General Laws, as amended, as follows:

Selectmen and Welfare Boards:		
Chairman of Board	$325.	$75.
Second Member	275.	75.
Third Member	275.	75.

Town Moderator	$ 15.
Treasurer	900.
Tax Collector	750.
Town Clerk	500.

Assessors:	
First Member	$250.
Second Member	250.
Third Member	250.

School Committee:	
Chairman	$100.
Second Member	100.
Third Member	100.

Article 9. Voted: To raise and appropriate the following sums of money, necessary for salaries and other Town Charges:

Selectmen's and Welfare Board Salary	$ 1,100.
Selectmen's Expense a/c	250.
Assessors' Salary	750.
Assessors' Expense a/c	225.
Treasurer's Salary	900.
Treasurer's Expense a/c	400.
Tax Collector's Salary	750.
Tax Collector's Expense a/c	500.
Town Clerk's Salary	500.

Alexander Hall	$ 175.
Old Age Assistance	37,500.
Aid to Dependent Children	5,000.
General Relief	5,000.
Disability Assistance	3,000.
Public Welfare Adm.	2,500.
Soldiers' Relief	3,500.
Machinery Mtnce. a/c (Trans. from Road Mach. Fd.)	5,500.

Town Clerk's Expense a/c	80.
School Committee Salary	300.
Town Moderator's Salary	15.
Town Accountant's Salary	950.
Town Accountant's Expense a/c	75.
Sealer Wgts. & Measures	125.
Sealer's Expense a/c	25.
Inspection of Animals	175.
Dog Officer & Exp.	150.
Inspection Meat & Slaughtering	50.
Public Health	1,250.
Schools	98,300.
Fire Department	2,500.
Maintenance Water Holes	400.
Bridges	3,000.
Elections & Registration	1,100.
Fire & Casualty Ins.	3,000.
Interest Account	200.
Town Hall Care	4,800.
Legal Expenses	250.
Damages	200.
Town Clock & Fountain	150.
Town Reports	800.
Snow Removal	5,500.
Public Safety	25.
Protection Tax Title Prop.	25.
Hgwy. Bounds, Surveys and Plans	250.
Wire Inspector & Exp.	50.

Article 10. Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of $5,100.00 for the operation of Dickinson Memorial Library, this sum to include the fines collected and the dog tax.

Article 11. Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of $400.00 for repairs on copper gutters on the Dickinson Memorial Library.

Article 12. Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of $850.00 to be used in the extermination of the Gypsy Moth.

Article 13. Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of $600.00 to be used by the Gypsy Moth Agent for removal of dead wood, and spraying the Town Elms to combat Dutch Elm disease.

Article 14. Voted: To authorize the Assessors to appoint one of their members as Clerk of the Board, that the salary be $500.00 in accordance with Section 4A, Chapter 41, General Laws, and raise and appropriate the sum of $500.00 for same.

Article 15. Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of $2,750.00 for the salary of a Public Health Nurse and substitute nurse.

Article 16. Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of $75.00 for the Public Health Nurse's expense account.

Article 17. Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of $550.00 for the expense of the Public Health Nurse's car.

Article 18. Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of $1,350.00 for the care and preservation of cemeteries.

Article 19. Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of $350.00 to resurface the road in the Center Cemetery.

Article 20. Voted: To authorize the Selectmen to enter into contract with the Board of Public Works, Division of Highways, for repair and

improvement of roads and highways exclusive of state highways, and to raise and appropriate the sum of $4,875.00, and transfer from unappropriated available funds in the Treasury the sum of $7,500.00 for Chapter 81 highways.

Article 21. Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of $2,000.00, and transfer from unappropriated, available funds in the treasury, the sum of $6,000.00 for Chapter 90 construction.

Article 22. Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of $1,000.00 and transfer from unappropriated, available funds in the treasury the sum of $2,000.00 for chapter 90 maintenance.

Article 23. Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of $3,000.00, and transfer from unappropriated, available funds in the treasury, the sum of $9,000.00 for Chapter 90 work on Pine Meadow Bridge and approaches.

Article 24. Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of $900.00 to be used to put up railing.

Article 25. Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of $1,000.00 to repair sidewalks.

Article 26. Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of $500.00 for Constables' pay and expense.

Article 27. Voted: To transfer the sum of $3,600.00 from Road Machinery Fund to be used in trading for a new Town truck and the purchase of snow plows.

Article 28. Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of $275.00 to be expended under the direction of the Northfield Post of the American Legion and the Northfield Post of the Veterans of Foreign Wars for the purpose of celebrating Memorial Day.

Article 29. Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of $400.00 for hydrant service for sixteen hydrants, to be paid to the Northfield Water Company for water supplying the hydrants for fire protection.

Article 30. Voted: To receive the report of the War Memorial Committee as submitted by Mr. E. M. Powell, Chairman, with thanks, and to continue the committee for further study.

Article 31. Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of $200.00 to be used for the purchase of fish to be liberated in streams in the Town of Northfield under the supervision of the Selectmen.

Article 32. Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of $24.00 to install a street light on Woodruff Way (formerly Linden Avenue) near the residence of the Mayberry family and the junction of Lyman Street.

Article 33. Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of $72.00 to erect and maintain three street lights on Ashuelot Road between the State Road, Route 63, and the New Hampshire state line.

Article 34. Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of $300.00 to meet foreclosure cost on tax titles.

Article 35. Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of $400.00 - $200.00 of which to be used for maintenance and $200.00 for improvement of the playground and athletic field. This sum to be expended under the supervision of the School Committee.

Article 36. Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of $700.00 to maintain state-aided vocational education in accordance with the provisions of Section 14 of Chapter 74, General Laws.

Article 37. Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of $2,000.00 for highway work, to be expended under the direction of the Selectmen.

Article 38. Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of $1,000.00 to be used in making repairs on discontinued school buildings.

Article 39. Voted: To rescind the vote taken at the Annual Town Meeting, February 8, 1938, donating the use of No. 6 Schoolhouse to the Dwight L. Moody Memorial Church.

Article 40. Voted: To authorize the Selectmen to let the community have the use of the old Number 6 school building on the Gulf Road for religious purposes.

Article 41. Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of $500.00 for the care and maintenance of the fire station and town garage.

Article 42. Voted: Raise and appropriate the sum of $100.00 for Civil Defense purposes, the same to be expended under the direction of the Selectmen.

Article 43. Voted: To accept the sum of $300.00 from the estate of Nettie E. Gilbert as a trust fund, the income to be used for the perpetual care of lot number 158 in Northfield Farms Cemetery.

Article 44. Voted: To transfer the sum of $5,000.00 from overlay reserve, for a reserve fund for the current year.

Article 45. Voted: To transfer $20,000.00 from Surplus Revenue Account to reduce the tax rate, if permission is granted from the state.

Attest:

JOSEPHINE S. HASKELL,
Town Clerk.

Copy of the Votes taken on Articles in the Warrant for SPECIAL TOWN MEETING, May 25, 1954

Article 1. Voted: To receive the report of the Regional School District Planning Board as given in substance by the Chairman, Robert P. Barnes, and a vote of thanks was given the committee for their excellent work.

Article 2. Upon motion duly seconded, it was voted that the Town accept the provisions of section sixteen to sixteen I, inclusive, chapter seventy-one of the General Laws, providing for the establishment of a regional school district together with the towns of Bernardston and Warwick, and the construction, maintenance and operation of a regional school by the said district in accordance with the provisions of a proposed agreement filed with the selectmen, and that we proceed at once to vote by printed ballot as prescribed by law, and that the discussion of the article be continued at the same time. The polls to be closed at 11 o'clock P. M.

The election officers served as tellers and the polls were opened and the voting began. At the close of the polls it was determined that four hundred ninety-two votes had been cast, two hundred fifty-one women, and two hundred forty-one men voting, with the result that the article was carried.

Votes Yes 261 No 231

The meeting was dissolved.

JOSEPHINE S. HASKELL,
Town Clerk.

Copy of the Votes taken on Articles in the Warrant for SPECIAL TOWN MEETING, November 26, 1954.

Article 1. Voted to transfer without consideration unto the Commonwealth of Massachusetts all the Town's right, title and interest in and to the Schell Memorial Bridge, so-called, located on Route No. 142 in Northfield, including all substructure, superstructure and approaches thereto, which bridge and approaches lie within the limits of a highway layout made by the County Commissioners of the County of Franklin on December 3, 1902, and are located between bounds Nos. 14 and 15 on the south side of the location and bounds Nos. 11 and 21 on the north side of the location; and authorize the Selectmen to make, execute, acknowledge and deliver on behalf of the Town such deed or other instrument of transfer and conveyance of said property as may be acceptable to the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. The vote was unanimous.

Article 2. Voted: That the Town allow Troop #9 of Northfield, Boy Scouts of America, to use the Old Fire Station next to the Town Hall for Boy Scout purposes. This building is to continue to be under the supervision of the Selectmen. All expenses in connection with the use and maintenance and renovation of the building to be paid by the Scout Troop. The vote was unanimous.

Article 3. Motion was made to express disapproval of the amount of the debt, namely Ninety Thousand Dollars ($90,000.00), authorized by the

Pioneer Valley Regional School District Committee by a vote passed by said committee on October 28, 1954; This motion was amended by a vote to cast a paper ballot at the close of the discussion of the article, and that the period for voting be one hour and a half, which procedure was followed. At the close of the voting, the ballots were sorted and counted and it was determined that the motion was lost. The number of votes cast was 556.

Yes, 232; No 323. Blanks 1.

The meeting was dissolved.

JOSEPHINE S. HASKELL,
Town Clerk.

JURY LIST

Erna R. Barnes
Dorothy J. Bigelow
Minnie E. Bolton
Violet J. Moody
Emma M. F. Powell
Elizabeth M. Spencer
Milford W. Atwood
Francis L. Brennan
Harold J. Carroll
F. Myron Dunnell
Horace F. Field, Jr.
John S. Hammond
Donald G. Huber
Dana Leavis
Philip M. Mann, Jr.
William M. Marshall
Ernest A. Parker
Arthur H. Pietz
Hesser C. Ruhl
Thomas J. Russell
Robert C. Schouler
Francis C. Sobieski
Clarence H. Spaulding
Paul B. Thompson
Edward J. Guinnee
Martin G. Fritz

TOWN TREASURER'S REPORT

January 1, 1954 to December 31, 1954

Balance January 1, 1954		$ 94,352.84	
Receipts for year 1954		439,114.37	
			$533,467.21
Payments per Warrants		$386,190.87	
Cash on hand December 31, 1954	$ 122.83		
Franklin County Trust Company	147,153.51		
		$147,276.34	
			$533,467.21

Franklin County Trust Company of Greenfield

Balance December 31, 1954 per Statement		$162,061.30
Outstanding checks December 31, 1954 per list	$ 14.907.79	
Balance December 31, 1954 per check book	147,153.51	
		$162,061.30

Franklin County Retirement System

Balance January 1, 1954	$ 198.65	
Amount collected from members in 1954	1,444.17	
		$ 1,642.82
Payments to County Retirement Board in 1954	$ 1,508.54	
Balance December 31, 1954 in Treasury	134.28	
		$ 1,642.82

Withholding Tax Statement

Balance on hand January 1, 1954	$ 1,052.50	
Withholding deducted in 1954	11,584.65	
		$ 12,637.15
Paid to Collector of Internal Revenue in 1954	$ 11,667.23	
Balance December 31, 1954 in Treasury	969.92	
		$ 12,637.15

Blue Cross and Blue Shield

Deductions from members in 1954	$ 1,218.60
Paid to Massachusetts Hospital Service	$ 1,218.60

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES F. SLATE,

Treasurer.

Treasurer's Report of Trust Funds

Edward D. Priest and Others — West Northfield Cemetery Fund

	Savings Deposits	*Securities*	*Total*
On hand January 1, 1954	$ 3,370.00	$ 4,000.00	$ 7,370.00
On hand December 31, 1954	3,370.00	4,000.00	7,370.00
Receipts of Interest	204.36		

James W. Cowles Cemetery Fund

	Savings Deposits	*Total*
On hand January 1, 1954	$ 2,000.00	$ 2,000.00
On hand December 31, 1954	2,000.00	2,000.00
Receipts of Interest	60.45	

Calvin Stearns Center Cemetery Fund

	Savings Deposits	*Total*
On hand January 1, 1954	$ 500.00	$ 500.00
On hand December 31, 1954	500.00	500.00
Receipts of Interest	15.11	

Belcher Center School Fund

	Savings Deposits	*Securities*	*Total*
On hand January 1, 1954	$ 1,050.00	$ 200.00	$ 1,250.00
On hand December 31, 1954	1,050.00	200.00	1,250.00
Receipts of Interest	36.73		

Belcher Center Cemetery Fund

	Savings Deposits	*Securities*	*Total*
On hand January 1, 1954	$ 1,000.00	$ 1,000.00	$ 2,000.00
On hand December 31, 1954	1,000.00	1,000.00	2,000.00
Receipts of Interest	55.23		

Lottie Evans Worthy Poor Fund

	Savings Deposits	*Total*
On hand January 1, 1954	$ 876.30	$ 876.30
On hand December 31, 1954	888.35	888.35
Receipts of interest added to acct.	12.05	

George F. Morgan Charity Fund

	Savings Deposits	*Total*
On hand January 1, 1954	$ 3,000.00	$ 3,000.00
On hand December 31, 1954	3,000.00	3,000.00
Receipts of Interest	90.68	

Surplus Revenue School Funds

	Savings Deposits	*Total*
On hand January 1, 1954	$ 1,600.00	$ 1,600.00
On hand December 1, 1954	1,600.00	1,600.00
Receipts of Interest	55.60	

Belcher Library Fund

	Savings Deposits	*Securities*	*Total*
On hand January 1, 1954	$ 9,439.01	$ 300.00	$ 9,739.01
On hand December 1, 1954	9,439.01	300.00	9,739.01
Receipts of Interest	312.96		

Charles P. Dickinson Library Book Fund

	Savings Deposits	*Total*
On hand January 1, 1954	$ 3,000.00	$ 3,000.00
On hand December 31, 1954	3,000.00	3,000.00
Receipts of Interest	75.46	

Mary H. Callender Mt. Hermon Cemetery Fund

	Savings Deposits	*Total*
On hand January 1, 1954	$ 500.00	$ 500.00
On hand December 31, 1954	500.00	500.00
Receipts of Interest	15.11	

Post War Rehabilitation Fund

	Savings Deposits	*Securities*	*Total*
On hand January 1, 1954	$ 2,621.97	$ 10,000.00	$ 12,621.97
Receipts of Interest on Securities	250.00		
Receipts of Interest on Savings Deposits	76.69		
On hand December 31, 1954	2,948.66	10,000.00	12,948.66

Roselle Evans Worthy Poor Fund

	Savings Deposits	*Total*
On hand January 1, 1954	$ 500.00	$ 500.00
On hand December 31, 1954	500.00	500.00
Receipts of Interest	15.11	

Maude Montague Library Fund

	Savings Deposits	*Securities*	*Total*
On hand January 1, 1954		$ 2,000.00	$ 2,000.00
On hand December 31, 1954		2,000.00	2,000.00
Receipts of Interest	50.00		

LIST OF CEMETERY PERPETUAL CARE FUNDS

South Mountain Cemetery

Alice J. Bigelow	$100.00

West Northfield Cemetery

Cecil Wilson	$100.00
Caroline B. Lane	150.00
George W. Snow	200.00
Henry M. Yerrington	100.00
Pennock Fund	100.00
Cora Preston and Pitts W. Preston	100.00
S. E. K. Priest	200.00
George F. Witt	100.00
Jane E. Evans	50.00

Mount Hermon Cemetery

Henry F. Cutler	$100.00
L. L. Drury	100.00
Horace F. Holton	100.00
Alice V. Watson	150.00
Anna Bell Mc Millan	100.00
Charles T. Sibley	200.00
Lewis Hodus	200.00
Roy R. Hatch	100.00
Joseph Castogue	100.00

Northfield Farms Cemetery

James Browning	$100.00
Retta R. Barrett	100.00
Ada E. Chamberlain and Sarah Morgan	75.00
George M. Chamberlain	75.00
Mrs. Eva J. S. Clough	200.00
M. Maria Foss	200.00
Ernest C. Field	100.00
Elisa Groves	51.69
Brigham Gage and David Clowes	100.00
Charles L. Gilbert	200.00
Nettie E. Gilbert	300.00
Samuel A. Holton	200.00
Inez E. Holton	50.00
Elvira A. Morgan	50.00
James and William Merriam	100.00
Henry W. Montague	400.00
Charles C. Morgan	100.00
Samuel Pratt	25.00
Larkin Fisher and Frank and Lucy Ross	50.00
Fred W. Ruggles	100.00
Asahel and Alner Sawyer	100.00
Marcellus D. Stratton	100.00
Rufus Stratton and Oren Darling	150.00
Elisha and Elihu Stratton	200.00
William H. Stratton	100.00
Mary A. Stratton	100.00
Samuel W. and William G. Slate	100.00
Leroy Weatherhead	75.00
Oscar and Frank V. Wood	50.00

Center Cemetery

Nelson and Nettie Spring	$100.00
Emma A. Haltnorth	100.00
John F. Rice	100.00
Carpenter Winchester	100.00
Clinton A. Ware	150.00
George R. Stebbins	50.00
Charles Stebbins	100.00
Walter D. Crane	100.00
John E. Nye	100.00
Harvey J. Evans	50.00
Augustus W. Holton	100.00
Thomas R. Callender	50.00
Johnson Fund	123.06
Mary L. Wright	125.00
M. Bemis and Otis Field	50.00
Charles Blackmer	50.00
Alvin Long	50.00
Issac Cook and Wright Stratton	100.00
John L. Mattoon	100.00
Levi Fay	150.00
Sarah E. Minot	150.00
James Pickard	100.00
Augustus L. Day	100.00
Elijar Belding	125.00
Elijar E. Belding	100.00

Katherine Gaeng	100.00
Arad Webster and William Billings	500.00
James White	100.00
A. M. D. Alexander	300.00
Charles Alexander and Richard Colton	200.00
Adelaide W. Moody	100.00
Louis M. Potts	200.00
Roselle Evans	50.00
Amos Shepardson and Anna S. Preston	150.00
Bessie Moore	100.00
Elizabeth P. Kraft	100.00
Maximilla S. Halchita	100.00
Albert S. Brigham	100.00
George E. Nye	200.00
Dorothy P. Bruce	150.00
Dr. Stratton White and George Hastings	100.00
Jessamine W. Polhemus	100.00
William R. Moody	100.00
Mrs. Norman Mac Gaffin	50.00
Clara B. Torrey	100.00
Herbert E. Robbins	200.00
S. E. Walker	200.00
J. I. Greenleaf	300.00
M. Margaret Laird	100.00
Hezekiah and Elizabeth Stratton	80.00
Hezekiah and Mollie Stratton	80.00
Rufus and Asenath Stratton	80.00
William H. Phelps	200.00
Elizabeth M. Purple	200.00
Sarah Jane Whithead	50.00
Bessie Severance	100.00
Lewis Fowler	50.00
J. Wesley Mann	100.00
Andrew E. and Andrew H. Lyman	400.00
Edward B. Stearns	50.00
Benjamin F. Field and Chas. Pomeroy	100.00
Charles Osgood	300.00
Louis Frederick Bartlett	100.00
Sherman Nye Bartlett	100.00
Rose A. Holton	100.00
C. D. Merriam and Cornelius Hillard	300.00
Cora B. Preston and Asa Holton	100.00

Cemetery Perpetual Care Funds

	Savings Deposits	*Total*
On hand January 1, 1954	$ 14,514.75	$ 14,514.75
On hand December 31, 1954	14,514.75	14,514.75
Receipt of Interest	$ 442.25	
Interest Transferred to Town	442.25	

CHARLES F. SLATE

Treasurer.

Tax Collector's Report

Taxes For 1951

Outstanding December 31, 1953		$ 165.75
Paid Treasurer	$ 19.05	
Outstanding December 31, 1954	146.70	
		$ 165.75

Taxes For 1952

Outstanding December 31, 1953		$ 3,958.75
Paid Treasurer	$ 3,254.35	
Outstanding December 31, 1954	704.40	
		$ 3,958.75

Motor Vehicle Taxes

Outstanding December 31, 1953		$ 688.69
Abatements	$ 174.10	
Paid Treasurer	480.09	
Outstanding December 31, 1954	34.50	
		$ 688.69

Taxes For 1953

Outstanding December 31, 1953		$ 69,342.48
Paid Treasurer	$ 64,021.08	
Abatements	16.00	
Outstanding December 31, 1954	5,305.40	
		$ 69,342.48

Motor Vehicle Taxes

Outstanding December 31, 1953		$ 4,840.94
Abatements	$ 86.76	
Paid Treasurer	4,192.29	
Outstanding December 31, 1954	561.89	
		$ 4,840.94

Taxes For 1954

Poll Tax

Commitment		$ 1,316.00
Abatements	$ 36.00	
Exemptions	176.00	
Paid Treasurer	988.00	
Outstanding December 31, 1954	116.00	
		$ 1,316.00

Personal Property

Commitment	$ 17,943.34
Refunds	97.50
Total	$ 18,040.84

Abatements	$ 162.50	
Paid Treasurer	15,379.73	
Outstanding December 31, 1954	2,498.61	
		$ 18,040.84

Real Estate

Commitment		$120,163.27
Refunds		97.50
Total		$120,179.52
Paid Treasurer	$102,165.44	
Abatements	248.63	
Exemptions	1,647.25	
Tax Titles	450.79	
Outstanding December 31, 1954	15,667.41	
		$120,179.52

Motor Vehicle Taxes

Commitment		$ 21,515.11
Refunds		362.62
Total		$ 21,877.73
Paid Treasurer	$ 16,332.15	
Abatements	1,140.87	
Outstanding	4,404.71	
		$ 21,877.73

Respectfully submitted,

ROY J. FISH,
Collector of Taxes.

Board of Assessors' Report

FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1954

Value of Real Estate		$1,848,653.00
Value of Personal Estate		276,050.00
Rate per $1,000	$ 65.00	
Polls Assessed	658	
Motor Excise Commitment		21,515.11
Number of horses assessed	15	
Number of cattle assessed	965	
Number of fowl assessed	3,080	
All others	13	

Appropriations

Appropriations from Available Funds, Feb. 2, 1954:	
Machinery Maintenance account from Road Machinery fund	$ 5,500.00
Chapter 81 highway repairs and improvements	7,500.00
Chapter 90 Construction transfer from Available Funds	6,000.00
Chapter 90 Maintenance Transfer from Available Funds	2,000.00
Chapter 90 Construction, Pine Meadow Bridge and Approach-Transfer from Available Funds	9,000.00
Purchase Town Truck and Plows, Transfer from Road Machinery Fund	3,600.00
Reserve Fund from Overlay Reserve	5,000.00
Appropriations made at Special Town Meeting November 19, 1953:	
Regional School District Planning Board from Available Funds	300.00
Transfer — from Surplus Revenue to Snow Removal Account	1,500.00
Appropriations to be raised by taxation, Feb. 2, 1954	
Northfield Farms Library	150.00
Tree Warden	750.00
Street Lighting	4,565.00
Highway tools	200.00
Salaries and Town Charges:	
Selectmen and Welfare Board Salaries	1,100.00
Selectmen's Expense Account	250.00
Assessors' Salaries	750.00
Assessors' Expense Account	225.00
Treasurer's Salary	900.00
Treasurer's Expense Account	400.00
Tax Collector's Salary	750.00
Tax Collector's Expense Account	500.00
Town Clerk's Salary	500.00
Town Clerk's Expense Account	80.00
School Committee Salaries	300.00
Town Moderator's Salary	15.00
Town Accountant's Salary	950.00
Town Accountant's Expense Account	75.00
Sealer Weights & Measures	125.00

Sealer's Expense Account	25.00
Inspection of Animals	175.00
Dog Officer & Expense	150.00
Inspection Meat & Slaughtering	50.00
Public Health	1,250.00
Schools	98,300.00
Fire Department	2,500.00
Maintenance Water Holes	400.00
Alexander Hall	175.00
Old Age Assistance	37,500.00
Aid to Dependent Children	5,000.00
General Relief	5,000.00
Disability Assistance	3,000.00
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Town Clock & Fountain	150.00
Town Reports	800.00
Snow Removal	5,500.00
Public Safety	25.00
Tax Title Protection	25.00
Highway Bounds, Surveys & Plans	250.00
Wire Inspector & Expense	50.00
Dickinson Memorial Library Operation	5,100.00
Dickinson Memorial Library Repairs	400.00
Extermination Gypsy Moth	850.00
Removal of Dead Wood & Spraying Elms	600.00
Assessor's Clerk Salary	500.00
Public Health Nurse Salary & Substitute	2,750.00
Public Health Nurse's Expense Account	75.00
Public Health Nurse's Car Expense Account	550.00
Care & Preservation Cemeteries	1,350.00
Resurfacing Center Cemetery Road	350.00
Chapter 81 Highway Work	4,875.00
Chapter 90 Construction	2,000.00
Chapter 90 Maintenance	1,000.00
Chapter 90 Construction — Pine Meadow Bridge and Approach — Transfer from Available Funds	3,000.00

Railing	900.00	
Sidewalk Repairs	1,000.00	
Constables' Pay & Expense	500.00	
Memorial Day Observance	275.00	
Hydrant Service	400.00	
Liberation of Fish	200.00	
Street Light on Woodruff Way	24.00	
Street Lights on Ashuelot Road	72.00	
Tax Title Foreclosure Costs	300.00	
Playground & Athletic Field Maintenance	400.00	
State Aided Vocational Education	700.00	
Highway Work	2,000.00	
Repairs on Discontinued School Buildings	1,000.00	
Fire Station Care & Maintenance	500.00	
Civil Defense Purposes	100.00	
Total Appropriations		$263,631.00
Veterans' Service Center		762.12
State Parks & Reservations		532.72
State Audit of Municipal Accounts		967.08
County Tax		11,389.95
County Retirement System		1,367.72
Overlay		5,720.02
Gross Amount to be Raised		$284,370.61

Estimated Receipts & Available Funds

Income Tax	$ 22,291.00
Corporation Tax	8,358.74
Reimbursement, State Owned Land	509.24
Old Age Tax (meals) Chapter 64B, Sec. 10	1,389.02
Motor Vehicle & Trailer Excise	17,500.00
Licenses	100.00
General Government	300.00
Protection Persons & Property	200.00
Health & Sanitation	200.00
Charities (other than Federal Grants for Aid to Dependent Children)	5,500.00
Old Age Assistance (other than Federal Grants)	23,500.00
Veterans' Benefits	1,700.00
Schools	22,100.00
Libraries	100.00

Interest on Taxes	800.00	
Transfer from Available Funds	40,400.00	
Total Estimated Receipts and Available Funds		$144,948.00
Net Amount to be Raised by Taxation		$139,422.61
Poll Tax	$ 1,316.00	
Personal Property Tax	17,943.34	
Real Estate Tax	120,163.27	
Total Taxes Levied on Polls & Property		$139,422.61

Respectfully submitted,

CLIFFORD A. FIELD,
WINTHROP E. SPENCER,
LEE H. SHELDON,
Assessors.

Welfare Department Report

Old Age Assistance

No. cases January 1, 1954	60	
No. cases added during year	8	
No. cases closed during year	10	
No. cases December 31, 1954	58	
Appropriation	$ 37,500.00	
U. S. Grant carried over from 1953	11,190.68	
Cancelled checks	171.30	
U. S. Grant reimbursements, 1954	21,845.86	
		$ 70,707.84
Expended, payrolls	$ 60,875.41	
Expended, other towns	820.62	
Transferred to revenue	831.63	
U. S. Grant carried to 1955	8,180.18	
		$ 70,707.84

Aid to Dependent Children

No. cases January 1, 1954	5
No. cases added during year	1
No. cases closed during year	1
No. cases December 31, 1954	5

Appropriation		$ 5,000.00	
U. S. Grant carried over from 1953		961.85	
U. S. Grant reimbursements, 1954		2,758.42	
			$ 8,720.27
Expended		$ 6,526.15	
Transferred to revenue		1,471.32	
U. S. Grant carried to 1955		722.80	
			$ 8,720.27

Disability Assistance

No. cases January 1, 1954		3	
No. cases added during year		0	
No. cases closed during year		0	
No. cases December 31, 1954		3	
Appropriation		$ 3,000.00	
U. S. Grant carried over from 1953		1,014.06	
U. S. Grant reimbursements, 1954		1,253.18	
			$ 5,267.24
Expended		3,372.46	
Transferred to revenue		781.17	
U. S. Grant carried to 1955		1,113.61	
			$ 5,267.24

General Relief

No. cases January 1, 1954		4	
No. cases added during year		10	
No. cases closed during year		12	
No. cases December 31, 1954		2	
Appropriation		$ 5,000.00	
Refunds and cancelled checks		188.10	
			$ 5,188.10
Cash to GR recipients		$ 585.52	
Other towns		1,838.10	
Payments to vendors		2,294.72	
Balance to revenue		469.76	
			$ 5,188.10

Administrative

Appropriation		$ 2,500.00	
U. S. Grant carried over from 1953:			
OAA	$ 665.71		
ADC	290.22		
DA	159.34		
		$ 1,115.27	
U. S. Grant, 1954 reimbursements:			
OAA	$ 1,229.83		
ADC	482.66		
DA	57.68		
		$ 1,770.17	
			$ 5,385.44

Expended:			
Salary, Shirley H. Kehl	$ 3,280.00		
Salary, Karlene Holton	48.30		
Transportation	90.79		
Office supplies	145.99		
Postage	24.00		
Telephone	94.20		
Miscellaneous	12.93		
		$ 3,696.21	
U. S. Grant carried to 1955:			
OAA	$ 835.02		
ADC	473.41		
DA	217.02		
		$ 1,525.45	
Balance to revenue		163.78	
			$ 5,385.44

Respectfully submitted,

SHIRLEY H. KEHL, Agent
Board of Public Welfare.

Town Accountant's Report

In compliance with the provisions of Chapter 41 of the General Laws, I submit the following report of the Accountant's Department for the calendar year ending December 31, 1954, including the source of all receipts, detail of appropriations and expenditures, statement of trust funds, and a balance sheet showing the financial condition of the town January 1, 1955.

HELEN M. STEARNS

TREASURER'S RECEIPTS

Taxes 1951	
Real Estate	$ 111.75
Taxes 1952	
Poll	10.00
Personal Property	105.22
Real Estate	3,821.20
Taxes 1953	
Poll	102.00
Personal Property	1,819.20
Real Estate	61,883.56

Taxes 1954	
Poll	988.00
Personal Property	15,379.73
Real Estate	133,212.58
Motor Vehicle & Trailer Excise	
Levy of 1952	591.89
Levy of 1953	4,115.80
Levy of 1954	20,735.86
Collector's Costs	75.95
Acct. Rec. General Relief	1,357.50
O.A.A.	27,841.56
A.D.C.	2,002.98
D.A. Adm.	28.84
D.A.	1,314.44
Veterans' Benefits	1,506.51
Schools	624.60
Federal Grants	
O.A.A. Adm.	1,229.83
O.A.A.	21,845.86
A.D.C. Adm.	482.66
A.D.C.	2,758.42
D.A. Adm.	57.68
D.A.	1,253.18
O.A.A. Recovery	2,688.10
State Aid to Hwy.	13,537.82
Hwy. Machinery Earnings	5,385.35
School Lunch	14,546.30
School Athletics	500.00
Dog Licenses	666.20
Federal Withholding Taxes	11,944.65
Co. Retirement	1,444.17
Mass. Hospital Service	1,218.60
U.S. Bond Income	250.00
County Dog Officer	108.50
Wild Cat Bounty	20.00
Sale of Cemetery Lots	170.00
Barden Fund for Vocational	334.62
Rent — Town Hall	384.00
Rent — Alexander Hall	10.00
Nurse's Fees	352.10
Sealer's Fees	9.70
Library Fines	213.98
Adult Education Fees	135.20
Broken Dishes	1.60
Dog Sold	3.00

Book Sold	1.87	
Day Trust Co. Bonus	72.00	
Day Trust Co. Int.	28.00	
Licenses Granted	190.00	
Interest on Deferred Taxes	611.46	
County Dog Fund	571.38	
Surplus Rev. School Fund Interest	55.60	
State:		
Dept. of Agriculture	98.12	
Loss of Taxes	523.79	
Vocational	1,994.29	
School Supt.	1,434.63	
School Transportation	12,297.68	
Tuition & Transportation	3,122.90	
Chapter 70	8,800.00	
Income Tax	13,714.48	
Corporation Tax	7,740.69	
Meals Tax	1,564.84	
Refunds and Reimbursements		
O.A.A.	171.30	
General Relief	188.10	
Fire Dept.	94.00	
Playground	2.77	
Fire Station Loan	60,000.00	
Trust Funds Interest		
Elisha Alexander	60.60	
George F. Morgan	90.68	
Roselle A. Evans	15.11	
Belcher Center School	36.73	
Belcher Library	312.96	
Montague Library	50.00	
Dickinson Book	75.46	
P.C. Center, So. Mt. & Mt. H. Cemeteries	425.54	
P.C. Northfield Farms	104.99	
P.C. West Northfield	240.36	
P.C. Calvin Stearns	15.11	
P.C. Mary Callender	15.11	
Total Cash Receipts		$439,114.37
Cash on Hand Jan. 1, 1954		94,352.84
		$533,467.21

EXPENDITURES

Moderator

Appropriation	$	15.00
Edgar Livingston		15.00

Selectmen and Welfare Board

Appropriation		$ 1,100.00
Ernest A. Parker	$ 33.00	
William M. Marshall	395.92	
Ellwyn E. Miller	321.75	
Robert P. Barnes	321.75	
	$ 1,072.42	
Balance to Revenue	27.58	
		$ 1,100.00

Selectmen's Expense

Appropriation	$ 250.00	
Reserve	33.69	
		$ 283.69
Mass. Ass'n	$ 25.00	
Franklin Co. Ass'n	6.00	
N. E. T. & T. Co.	118.75	
Recorder Pub. Co.	19.61	
Hobbs & Warren	30.02	
Bakers' Inc.	6.25	
Johnson & Johnson	21.50	
The Sautter Co.	1.06	
Robert P. Barnes	4.00	
William Marshall	20.00	
Kenneth Prescott	15.00	
Co. of Franklin	10.00	
Mass. Safety Council	6.50	
		$ 283.69

Accountant

Appropriation		$ 950.00
Helen M. Stearns		950.00

Accountant Expense

Appropriation		$ 75.00
Mass. Ass'n	$ 3.00	
H. M. Stearns	72.00	
		$ 75.00

Legal

Appropriation	$ 250.00	
Reserve	1.60	
		$ 251.60
Stoddard Ball & Bartlett		251.60

Treasurer

Appropriation		$ 900.00
Chas. F. Slate		900.00

Treasurer's Expense

Appropriation		$ 400.00

Mass. Ass'n	$ 2 00	
Hobbs & Warren	53.34	
Franklin Co. Trust Co.	55 08	
Todd Co.	33.50	
Colton's Ins., Bond	104.50	
C. F. Slate, postage & sundries	151.58	
		$ 400.00

Tax Collector

Appropriation		$ 750.00
Roy J. Fish		750.00

Collector's Expense

Appropriation		$ 500.00
Mass. Ass'n	$ 2 00	
Read Shaw Co.	5.00	
Roy J. Fish, Bond	159.75	
Hobbs & Warren	101.06	
Roy J. Fish, postage & sundries	151.80	
	$ 419.61	
Balance to Revenue	80.39	
		$ 500.00

Assessors and Clerk

Appropriation		$ 1,250.00
Clifford Field	$ 250.00	
Lee Sheldon	229.17	
Winthrop Spencer	229.17	
Winthrop Spencer, Clerk	458.40	
Ernest Parker	20.80	
Ernest Parker, Clerk	41.60	
	$ 1,229.14	
Balance to Revenue	20.86	
		$ 1,250.00

Assessors' Expense

Appropriation	$ 225.00	
Reserve	18.14	
		$ 243.14
Mass. Ass'n	$ 9.00	
Hobbs & Warren	105.53	
Registry of Deeds	15.20	
Johnson & Johnson	8.50	
Barrett & Baker	56.03	
Burroughs Ad. Mach. Co.	18.69	
Ernest Parker	2.40	
Clifford Field	13.00	

Winthrop Spencer	14.35	
	$ 242.70	
Balance to Reserve	.44	
		$ 243.14

Town Clerk

Appropriation		$ 500.00
Josephine S. Haskell		500.00

Town Clerk's Expense

Appropriation		$ 80.00
Colton Ins., Bond	$ 7.50	
Hobbs & Warren	19.97	
Josephine Haskell	40.51	
	$ 67.98	
Balance to Revenue	12.02	
		$ 80.00

Election and Registration

Appropriation	$ 1,100.00	
Reserve	99.69	
		$ 1,199.69
Josephine Haskell	$ 118.91	
Laurence Hammond	106.50	
Edward Hurley	103.00	
Charles Streeter	106.50	
E. A. Hall & Co.	282.31	
W. F. Hoehn	49.54	
James Dale	46.63	
Helen Stearns	46.63	
Edna Bistrek	46.00	
Katherine Callaghan	46.00	
Flora Abbey	46.00	
Daisy Holton	46.00	
Ralph Holton	41.00	
Frank Anderson	30.00	
Willis Parker	5.00	
Harrison Stacy	31.00	
Helen Greene	31.00	
Marion Goodspeed	16.00	
Hobbs & Warren	1.67	
		$ 1,199.69

Town Hall

Appropriation		$ 4,800.00
C. F. Slate	$ 1,800.00	
F. M. Dunnell	1,516.88	

Western Mass. Elec. Co.	251.90	
Nfld. Water Co.	12.90	
H. S. Cregar	231.32	
F. H. Brown Co.	8.50	
Alfred E. Holton	33.00	
M. D. Stetson Co.	15.70	
C. B. Dolge Co.	101.60	
Elton Kinsman	2.50	
Com. of Mass.	35.00	
Avery's	.39	
Helen Stearns	3.50	
A. L. Goodrich	14.00	
Dwight Stearns	2.50	
Edmund Morgan	2.50	
Edward C. Bolton	530.48	
F. A. Irish	36.69	
Leavis & Bolton	38.25	
Bakers' Inc.	61.45	
Mackin Fuel Co.	7.00	
Robert P. Barnes	1.40	
Gfld. Fire Equip. Co.	41.50	
	$ 4,748.96	
Balance to Revenue	51.04	
		$ 4,800.00

Constables and Expense

Appropriation		$ 500.00
Pauline Chamberlin	$ 141.21	
Murray Hammond	31.02	
Niles Stone	91.00	
Edward Hurley	3.55	
Joseph Morgan	129.25	
Willis Parker	24.25	
	$ 420.28	
Balance to Revenue	79.72	
		$ 500.00

Fire Department

Appropriation	$ 2,500.00	
Reserve	938.11	
Reimbursements	94.00	
		$ 3,532.11
Floyd M. Dunnell, Chief	$ 162.00	
Andrew Gray, Forest Warden	202.58	
Dwight Stearns	159.42	
Philip Mann, Jr.	148.00	

Alfred Holton	43.00	
Charles Browning	63.00	
David Quinn	157.00	
James Dale	74.00	
Lee Sheldon	6.00	
Willis Parker	14.00	
Fred Bolton	38.00	
Warren Randall	72.00	
Francis Reed	34.00	
Howard Williams	72.00	
Edmund Morgan	148.10	
Joseph Morgan	18.00	
Roy Barrows	11.00	
Edward Bolton	53.00	
Winthrop Sanderson	64.00	
Gilbert Stacy	31.00	
John Hammond	56.00	
Donald McCollester	38.00	
George Lombard	6.00	
Paul Carpenter	47.00	
Tri-State Mutual Aid	5.00	
W. M. E. Co.	12.94	
N. E. Tel. & Tel. Co.	269.15	
F. M. Dunnell	173.49	
Stearns Garage	143.33	
Morgan Garage	45.47	
G. C. Buffum	3.30	
G. G. Bentley	9.00	
G. L. Merriam Co.	16.00	
David G. Deane	414.63	
Colton Ins.	211.25	
Nfld. Pharmacy	1.64	
Avery's	11.05	
Johnson & Johnson	9.50	
H. S. Cregar	6.61	
F. W. Hance	5.04	
C. M. Haskell & Sons	2.51	
Superior Signal Co.	3.94	
Mass. Fire Equip. Co.	11.00	
Russell Uniform Co.	72.07	
Am. LaF. Foamite Corp.	347.19	
Snap-On Tool Co.	5.90	
Sundry persons	35.00	
		$ 3,532.11

Hydrant Service

Appropriation	$	400.00
Northfield Water Co.	$	400.00

Maintenance Water Holes

Appropriation		$ 400.00
Chas. M. Repeta	$ 91.00	
Leland Black	27.50	
Melvin Miller	18.00	
Steven Siciak	238.00	
N. W. S. & G. Co.	25.29	
	$ 399.79	
Balance to Revenue	.21	
		$ 400.00

Maintenance Fire Station

Appropriation		$ 500.00
F. M. Dunnell	$ 69.41	
Stanley Johnson	175.13	
Northfield Pharmacy	3.75	
H. S. Cregar	86.89	
	$ 335.18	
Balance to Revenue	164.82	
		$ 500.00

Fire Station and Town Garage

Appropriation from 1953	$ 1,389.50	
Loan	60,000.00	
		$ 61,389.50
Director of Accounts	$ 60.00	
American Bank Note Co.	51.25	
Roy J. Fish, Insurance	38.35	
Thomas J. Gass Co.	52,311.24	
James A. Britton	775.53	
Alfred E. Holton	202.85	
H. S. Cregar	113.73	
Northfield School for Girls	9.66	
Am.-LaF. Foamite Corp.	681.77	
Edward C. Bolton	12.00	
Fred H. Doolittle	5.40	
Sundry persons, grading	162.40	
Geo. V. Corsiglia Co.	50.00	
	$ 54,474.18	
Balance to 1955	6,915.32	
		$ 61,389.50

Public Safety

Appropriation		$ 25.00
Floyd M. Dunnell, Jr.		$ 25.00

Sealer Weights and Measures

Appropriation — Salary	$ 125.00	
Appropriation — Expense	25.00	
		$ 150.00
Warren Randall	$ 150.00	
		$ 150.00

Wire Inspector

Appropriation		$ 50.00
Balance to Revenue		$ 50.00

Gypsy Moth Extermination

Appropriation		$ 850.00
Frank W. Anderson	$ 55.00	
Hinckley Tree Service	320.00	
Com. of Mass.	330.56	
	$ 705.56	
Balance to Revenue	144.44	
		$ 850.00

Dutch Elm Disease Control

Appropriation		$ 600.00
Frank W. Anderson	$ 309.45	
Orrin Carey	122.50	
Jordan Motor Sales	18.00	
Hinckley Tree Service	150.00	
	$ 599.95	
Balance to Revenue	.05	
		$ 600.00

Tree Warden

Appropriation		$ 750.00
Frank W. Anderson	$ 595.75	
Orrin Carey	83.50	
Francis Kenney	48.75	
George Smalley	10.00	
Jordan Motor Sales	12.00	
		$ 750.00

Dog Officer

Appropriation		$ 150.00
Robert Gibson	$ 95.30	
Balance to Revenue	54.70	
		$ 150.00

Health

Appropriation		$ 1,250.00
Town of Greenfield	$ 21.74	
Hampshire County Sanatorium	547.50	
Glade P. Hall, D.D.S.	8.00	

Dr. A. J. Stone	105.00	
Hobbs & Warren	9.27	
Josephine S. Haskell	109.95	
Abalene Exterminating Co.	144.00	
Northfield W. S. & G. Co.	20.14	
Leland Black	147.00	
Frank Anderson	45.00	
Kenneth Miller	12.00	
Henry Bassett	9.20	
Harold Clough	9.20	
Robert Strange	16.00	
Ransom Kenney	8.00	
George Smalley	8.00	
Ronald Winship	5.00	
Town Trucks	25.00	
		$ 1,250.00

Nurse and Substitute

Appropriation		$ 2,750.00
Barbara Mankowsky	$ 2,309.17	
Marion Billings	127.50	
Norma Stearns	270.83	
Ruth Butler	21.25	
	$ 2,728.75	
Balance to Revenue	21.25	
		$ 2,750.00

Nurse's Expense

Appropriation		$ 75.00
N. E. T. & T. Co.	$ 19.80	
Northfield Pharmacy	40.44	
Fiske & Strecker	2.00	
Sullivan's	2.98	
	$ 65.22	
Balance to Revenue	9.78	
		$ 75.00

Nurse's Car Expense

Appropriation	$ 550.00	
Reserve	50.00	
		$ 600.00
Spencer Bros.	$ 301.87	
Jordan Motor Sales	15.21	
Stearns Garage	36.28	
G. C. Buffum	37.27	
Bill's Service Station	24.54	

Morgan Garage	33.18	
Roy J. Fish, Insurance	128.62	
	$ 576.97	
Balance to Reserve	23.03	
		$ 600.00

Inspection of Animals

Appropriation	$ 175.00	
Reserve Fund	27.11	
		$ 202.11
Gilbert Hammond		$ 202.11

Inspection of Meat and Slaughter

Appropriation		$ 50.00
Horace Bolton		$ 50.00

Machinery Maintenance

Appropriation Road Machinery Fund		$ 5,500.00
Colton's Insurance	$ 360.68	
Spencer Bros.	1,046.94	
Stearns Garage	1,037.08	
The Northfield	542.65	
Gordon C. Buffum	616.16	
Morgan Garage	134.58	
Bill's Service Station	147.41	
Geo. H. Sheldon	179.66	
Tenney Farms	25.88	
Gerald Barns	9.39	
Jordan Motor Sales	10.20	
Eugene L. Miller	83.47	
Weeks	54.00	
Frank W. Hance	21.95	
H. S. Cregar	23.27	
Mason Dixon Steel Co.	39.16	
Unitarian Church	35.00	
	$ 4,367.48	
Balance to Road Machinery Fund	1,132.52	
		$ 5,500.00

Purchase Town Truck and Plows

Appropriation Road Machinery Fund		$ 3,600.00
H. F. Davis Tractor Co.	$ 959.00	
Podlenski Bros.	2,300.00	
	$ 3,259.00	
Balance to Road Machinery Fund	341.00	
		$ 3,600.00

Tools

Appropriation		$ 200.00
H. S. Cregar	$ 81.53	
F. W. Hance	56.10	
G. E. Murray	3.50	
Avery's Store	2.10	
	$ 143.23	
Balance to Revenue	56.77	
		$ 200.00

Chapter 81, Highway

Appropriation		$ 22,750.00
Kenneth Miller	$ 1,659.00	
Henry Bassett	1,180.85	
Harold Clough	1,259.25	
George Smalley	910.00	
Robert Strange	1,066.00	
Ernest Kenney	196.00	
Francis Kenney	237.00	
Ransom Kenney	96.00	
Arthur Fisher	80.00	
Eugene Hammond	9.20	
Ronald Winship	637.00	
John Henzel	16.00	
Edgar Livingston, Jr.	423.00	
Orrin Casey	367.00	
Gerald Stebbins	120.00	
Leonard Stebbins, Jr.	203.00	
Town Trucks	2,537.00	
Scraper	115.80	
Hone	10.00	
Sander	46.50	
N. W. S. & G. Co.	2,138.29	
Lake Asphalt & Petroleum Co.	439.51	
American Tar Co.	3,628.77	
Standard Sign & Signal Co.	23.82	
N. E. Metal Culvert Co.	155.46	
Jack Beaman	43.00	
Herbert Black	131.60	
Hamilton Cregar	78.94	
Warner Bros.	242.51	
Steve Puffer	88.00	
Steven Siciak	1,337.00	
Mackin Trucking Co.	802.60	
George Wetherby	72.00	
Melvin Miller	1,589.50	
Horace Bolton	365.50	

Frank Anderson	435.00	
Leland Black	9.00	
	$ 22,749.10	
Balance to Revenue	.90	
		$ 22,750.00

Chapter 90 — Gulf Road

Appropriation		$ 8,000.00
Kenneth Miller	$ 451.50	
Henry Bassett	318.55	
Harold Clough	304.75	
Ronald Winship	199.00	
George Smalley	188.00	
Gerald Stebbins	8.00	
Leonard Stebbins, Jr.	8.00	
Edgar Livingston, Jr.	61.00	
Orrin Carey	36.00	
Robert Strange	151.00	
Town Trucks and Machinery	622.40	
Kenneth Hall	32.00	
Robert McCollum	40.00	
Frank W. Anderson	378.00	
Melvin Miller	309.00	
Horace Bolton	191.00	
G. O. Dunnell	21.00	
Steven Siciak	1,316.00	
George Wetherby	108.00	
Steve Puffer	370.00	
N. W. S. & G. Co.	822.42	
Lake Asphalt & Petroleum Co.	19.68	
Koppers Co.	335.85	
N. E. Metal Culvert Co.	1,337.50	
Hamilton S. Cregar	147.90	
American Tar Co.	134.05	
J. Herbert Black	88.60	
	$ 7,999.20	
Balance to Revenue	.80	
		$ 8,000.00

Chapter 90 — Bridge

Appropriation		$ 12,000.00
Kenneth Miller	$ 232.50	
Henry Bassett	101.20	
Harold Clough	112.70	
George Smalley	133.00	
Ernest Kenney	115.00	
Robert Strange	30.00	

Ransom Kenney	24.00	
Frederick Voorhees	30.00	
Orrin Carey	4.00	
Pat Lipporoli	44.00	
Town trucks	168.00	
Melvin Miller	165.00	
Steven Siciak	56.00	
Steve Puffer	1,508.10	
N. E. Metal Culvert Co.	5,586.00	
	$ 8,309.50	
Balance to 1955	3,690.50	
		$ 12,000.00

Chapter 90 — Maintenance

Appropriation		$ 3,000.00
Kenneth Miller	$ 108.00	
Henry Bassett	92.00	
Harold Clough	101.20	
George Smalley	112.00	
Ronald Winship	69.00	
Orrin Carey	40.00	
Francis Kenney	24.00	
Edgar Livingston, Jr.	32.00	
Robert Strange	88.00	
Gerald Stebbins	16.00	
Leonard Stebbins, Jr.	16.00	
Town trucks and machinery	236.40	
Frank Anderson	120.00	
Melvin Miller	24.00	
Horace Bolton	182.00	
Lake Asphalt & Petroleum Co.	1,335.58	
N. W. S. & G. Co.	403.38	
	$ 2,999.56	
Balance to Revenue	.44	
		$ 3,000.00

Railings

Appropriation		$ 900.00
Kenneth Miller	$ 63.00	
Henry Bassett	75.90	
Harold Clough	36.80	
George Smalley	82.00	
Robert Strange	40.00	
Leonard Stebbins, Jr.	8.00	
Ronald Winship	32.00	
Ernest Kenney	32.00	
Ransom Kenney	32.00	

Town trucks	46.50	
Frank Anderson	8.00	
Smead Lumber Co.	5.44	
J. L. Dunnell & Son	12.00	
Edwin Damon	26.75	
Frank W. Hance	176.55	
Hamilton S. Cregar	1.38	
Standard Sign & Signal Co.	55.59	
	$ 733.91	
Balance to Revenue	166.09	
		$ 900.00

Bridges

Appropriation		$ 3,000.00
Kenneth Miller	$ 132.00	
Henry Bassett	116.15	
Harold Clough	70.15	
Ernest Kenney	16.00	
Ronald Winship	53.00	
Gerald Stebbins	21.00	
Leonard Stebbins, Jr.	24.00	
Ransom Kenney	16.00	
Edgar Livingston, Jr.	24.00	
Robert Strange	16.00	
George Smalley	69.00	
James Callaghan	43.80	
Town trucks	163.50	
Melvin Miller	253.26	
Frank Anderson	24.00	
Horace Bolton	28.00	
Steven Siciak	126.00	
Morgan Garage	13.60	
H. S. Cregar	36.85	
N. W. S. & G. Co.	80.96	
Edwin Damon	8.00	
Mrs. Miner Carpenter	7.50	
N. E. Metal Culvert Co.	1,405.23	
Standard Sign & Signal Co.	10.64	
Potter Grain Stores	11.43	
Mackin Co.	29.22	
G. G. Bentley	165.24	
Avery's Store	.51	
Mohawk Sign Service	29.80	
	$ 2,994.84	
Balance to Revenue	5.16	
		$ 3,000.00

Sidewalk Repairs

Appropriation	$ 1,000.00	
Reserve	150.00	
		$ 1,150.00
Peter Yarmac	$ 1,130.00	
Balance to Reserve	20.00	
		$ 1,150.00

Snow Removal

Appropriation		$ 5,500.00
Kenneth Miller	$ 675.00	
Henry Bassett	518.65	
Harold Clough	570.40	
George Smalley	199.00	
Leslie Gibson	17.25	
Ernest Kenney	90.00	
Francis Kenney	41.00	
Orrin Carey	13.00	
Robert Strange	167.00	
Ronald Winship	5.00	
Leonard Stebbins, Jr.	8.00	
Gerald Stebbins	8.00	
Ransom Kenney	1.00	
Edgar Livingston, Jr.	8.00	
Town trucks and machinery	1,125.25	
N. W. S. & G. Co.	1,052.43	
Frank Anderson	15.00	
G. G. Bentley	168.00	
F. W. Hance	63.52	
The Chemical Co.	643.50	
	$ 5,389.00	
Balance to Revenue	111.00	
		$ 5,500.00

Highway Account

Appropriation		$ 2,000.00
Kenneth Miller	$ 295.50	
Henry Bassett	197.80	
Harold Clough	188.60	
George Smalley	40.00	
Robert Strange	44.00	
Francis Kenney	8.00	
Edgar Livingston	16.00	
Ronald Winship	16.00	
Town trucks	243.00	
Melvin Miller	49.00	
Frank Anderson	35.37	
Leland Black	21.00	

Jordan Motor Sales	6.00	
N. W. S. & G. Co.	425.05	
The Chemical Corp.	199.62	
Farm Bureau Ass'n	29.20	
Mrs. A. F. Bennett	35.00	
Greenfield Farmers Co-op. Exchange	34.76	
Standard Sign & Signal Co.	87.09	
	$ 1,970.99	
Balance to Revenue	29.01	
		$ 2,000.00

Street Lights

Appropriation	$ 4,565.00	
Appropriation	24.00	
Appropriation	72.00	
Reserve	417.64	
		$ 5,078.64
W. M. E. Co.		$ 5,078.64

Highway Bounds, Surveys, Plans

Appropriation		$ 250.00
Balance to Revenue		$ 250.00

Public Welfare Administration

Appropriation		$ 2,500.00
Shirley H. Kehl	$ 2,050.06	
Shirley H. Kehl, travel	66.09	
N. E. Tel. & Tel. Co.	64.05	
P. O. Postage	24.00	
J. C. Moore Corp.	10.17	
Barrett & Baker	15.59	
Johnson & Johnson	13.25	
Aucoin's Press	20.04	
Burroughs Ad. Mach. Co.	20.00	
Hobbs & Warren	4.67	
Karlene Holton	48.30	
	$ 2,336.22	
Balance to Revenue	163.78	
		$ 2,500.00

General Relief

Appropriation	$ 5,000.00	
Refunds	188.10	
		$ 5,188.10
Sundry persons	$ 4,718.34	
Balance to Revenue	469.76	
		$ 5,188.10

O.A.A.

Appropriation	$ 37,500.00	
Refunds	71.00	
		$ 37,571.00
Sundry persons	$ 36,739.37	
Balance to Revenue	831.63	
		$ 37,571.00

A.D.C.

Appropriation		$ 5,000.00
Sundry persons	$ 3,528.68	
Balance to Revenue	1,471.32	
		$ 5,000.00

D.A.

Appropriation		$ 3,000.00
Sundry persons	$ 2,218.83	
Balance to Revenue	781.17	
		$ 3,000.00

Soldiers' Relief

Appropriation		$ 3,500.00
Sundry persons	$ 2,424.75	
Balance to Revenue	1,075.25	
		$ 3,500.00

School Committee

Appropriation		$ 300.00
Irving J. Lawrence	$ 100.00	
Roy J. Fish	100.00	
Louis M. Abbey	100.00	
		$ 300.00

Schools

Appropriation		$ 98,300.00
George Leonard	$ 4,433.28	
M. Carleton Brown	3,620.00	
Thomas Higgins, Jr.	2,266.56	
Conrad Bayley	1,020.00	
Evelyn Lawley	4,118.32	
Nellie Dearstyne	3,623.28	
Eleanor Hammond	3,613.20	
Beryle Hammond	3,286.64	
Jean Kozlowski	3,173.28	
Dorothy Herrick	3,803.28	
Hugh Hayden	2,872.36	
Evelyn Parker	3,540.00	
Mary Dalton	3,530.00	
Virginia Haack	3,279.92	

Ruth Bolton	3,459.96
Dorothea Holt	3,356.56
Marion Nau	1,848.76
Rae M. Janson	900.00
Esther Leonard	94.50
Elizabeth Mayberry	27.00
Mildred Rineer	72.00
Mrs. Russell Phelps	45.00
Ruby North	54.00
F. Sumner Turner	2,239.95
F. Sumner Turner, Travel	163.91
Jean McComb	822.51
Barbara Mankowsky	604.72
Marion Billings	36.79
Ruth Butler	8.49
Dr. F. Wilton Dean	300.00
Virginia Raymond	960.00
Jeannette Rich	656.00
W. L. Rinehart	450.00
John Spindler	2,599.92
Charles Janes	711.40
William Janes	389.80
John Ware	205.00
Hugh Hayden	10.00
George Mello	5.60
Stephen Mastaler	50.00
James McComb	51.20
The Northfield	11,050.00
Eugene Miller	4,518.25
Robert Dumbreck	1,349.11
James Dresser	1,427.76
Esther Leonard, School Census	35.65
Lodge Petroleum Co.	1,215.46
McIntosh & Son	224.00
Turners Falls Coal Co.	1,310.60
C. W. Herrick	24.00
Northfield Water Co.	91.05
Western Mass. Electric Co.	1,141.24
Town of Greenfield, Voc. Tuition	1,731.12
American Book Co.	49.67
Scott, Foresman Co.	329.12
Webster Pub. Co.	21.76
Wilcox & Follett	161.02
Row, Peterson & Co.	285.76
South Western Pub. Co.	22.29
The Economy Co.	36.28
Harcourt, Brace Co.	323.00

Sundry persons, Text Books	43.76
Gledhill Bros.	153.92
Phillips Paper Co.	224.92
Cascade Paper Co.	1,009.58
J. L. Hammett Co.	178.20
Lynch Sporting Equip. Co.	49.35
Athletic Trainers Supply	62.71
H. T. Janes & Son	59.51
Milton Bradley Co.	85.13
Popular Science	30.00
A. J. Nystrom & Co.	33.23
Richco Products, Inc.	23.76
W. M. Walsh Mfg. Co.	30.00
Mainco Trading Co.	72.15
Sundry persons, Student Supplies	77.56
J. I. Holcomb Co.	27.05
Huntington Laboratories	97.01
Edw. L. Canter, Inc.	76.35
Du Ev Products	63.00
C. B. Dolge Co.	184.56
Sundry persons, Janitor Supplies	37.64
The Hubers	1,131.00
Hamilton S. Cregar	141.86
Edward C. Bolton	444.12
Alfred E. Holton	74.99
George Corsiglia Co.	119.10
Gray's Drapery Shop	81.15
Remington Rand Co.	37.10
N. E. Door Closer Co.	20.10
Lewis Armature Service	35.25
Sundry persons, Repairs	66.02
Sundry persons, Domestic Science	53.31
Progressive Ideas	87.26
International Business Machines	170.00
Carlisle Hardware Co.	56.00
Field Enterprises	124.32
Elizabeth Dorchester	15.00
Louis Misium	49.00
Edward Powell, Jr.	14.00
John Gordon	21.00
Leland Black	53.50
George Leonard	31.39
N. E. Tel. & Tel. Co.	305.55
F. Sumner Turner	89.88
Mass. Audubon Society	72.19
Com. of Mass.	30.00
Postage	35.00

Sundry persons, Sundries	225.05	
	$ 97,862.86	
Balance to Revenue	437.14	
		$ 98,300.00

Regional School District Planning Board

Appropriation		$ 300.00
American Printing Co.	$ 236.25	
F. Sumner Turner	21.00	
N. E. Tel. & Tel. Co.	18.45	
Robert Barnes	2.98	
Barrett & Baker	3.85	
The Bookstore	1.38	
	$ 283.91	
Balance to Revenue	16.09	
		$ 300.00

Adult Vocational Education

Appropriation		$ 700.00
Mrs. Adrian Savage	$ 100.00	
Harriet Hawkes	100.00	
Sylvia Spencer	118.00	
Ralph Sargent	100.00	
John Spindler	71.00	
McIntosh & Son	24.00	
N. E. Tel. & Tel. Co.	16.75	
W. M. E. Co.	102.00	
	$ 631.75	
Balance to Revenue	68.25	
		$ 700.00

Dickinson Library

Appropriation		$ 5,100.00
Florence Phelps	$ 2,100.00	
Edna Barber	480.00	
Louise Reeves	25.35	
Kathryn King	244.38	
Joyce LaForce	210.38	
Adda Huber	132.18	
Edith Aldrich	208.21	
May Cook	14.00	
Sophie Ruhl	6.80	
Gwendolyn Leavis	3.40	
F. M. Dunnell	489.53	
N. E. Tel. & Tel. Co.	66.00	
W. M. E. Co.	160.21	

Northfield Water Co.	12.00	
Leavis & Bolton	37.45	
L. A. Barber	9.25	
Edward C. Bolton	44.00	
C. B. Dolge Co.	15.23	
Barrett & Baker	14.77	
C. H. Demond & Co.	6.20	
Demco Library Supplies	76.95	
Filing Equipment Bureau	14.02	
Library Book House	466.19	
J. Wesby & Son	37.09	
Readers Digest Books	6.00	
H. W. Wilson Co.	15.60	
Malcolm E. Parks	33.50	
American Library Ass'n	6.00	
W. G. Lord	10.00	
Tercentenary Com. Northampton	5.16	
Encyclopedia Britannica	44.42	
National Geographic Society	5.00	
Gaylord Bros.	10.30	
Nathaniel Dame & Co.	10.00	
Doubleday & Co.	18.00	
Jean Karr & Co.	10.38	
Tracy Burdick	14.31	
Boy Scouts of America	19.00	
N. Y. Herald-Tribune	2.50	
Field Enterprises	1.50	
John J. Fogarty	1.40	
H. R. Huntting Co.	.67	
Florence Phelps, petty cash, sundries	12.67	
		$ 5,100.00

Dickinson Library Repairs

Appropriation		$ 400.00
Bratto Roofing & Sheet Metal Co.		$ 400.00

Northfield Farms Library

Appropriation		$ 150.00
Northfield Farms Library Ass'n		$ 150.00

Alexander Hall

Appropriation	$ 175.00	
Reserve	18.40	
		$ 193.40
A. L. Goodrich	$ 3.50	
Alfred Holton	21.25	
John Spindler	120.00	
Hamilton Cregar	48.65	
		$ 193.40

Insurance

Appropriation	$ 3,000.00	
Reserve	312.56	
		$ 3,312.56
Powell Insurance	$ 1,752.56	
Roy J. Fish	1,560.00	
		$ 3,312.56

Interest

Appropriation	$ 200.00	
Reserve	520.00	
		$ 720.00
Day Trust Co.		$ 720.00

Damages

Appropriation		$ 200.00
Balance to Revenue		$ 200.00

Clock and Fountain

Appropriation		$ 150.00
Northfield Water Co.	$ 25.00	
Hamilton Cregar	4.50	
Willis K. Parker	50.00	
	$ 79.50	
Balance to Revenue	70.50	
		$ 150.00

Town Reports

Appropriation		$ 800.00
E. A. Parker, postage	$ 20.00	
W. F. Hoehn	780.00	
		$ 800.00

Foreclosure Tax Titles

Appropriation		$ 300.00
Com. of Mass.	$ 25.00	
Land Court	12.20	
C. F. Slate	21.15	
	$ 58.35	
Balance to Revenue	241.65	
		$ 300.00

Protection Tax Title Property

Appropriation		$ 25.00
Balance to Revenue		$ 25.00

Memorial Day

Appropriation		$ 275.00
Harold Lord	$ 10.00	
Alice Kenney	60.00	
Orange High School Band	125.00	
Avery's Store	32.40	

Wilson's, Inc.	20.00	
Northfield School for Girls	5.08	
	$ 252.48	
Balance to Revenue	22.52	
		$ 275.00

Civil Defense

Balance 1953	$ 89.89	
Appropriation	100.00	
		$ 189.89
Northfield School for Girls	$ 49.25	
Balance to 1955	140.64	
		$ 189.89

Playground and Athletic Field

Appropriation	$ 400.00	
Refund	2.77	
		$ 402.77
Hamilton Cregar	102.41	
Edward Bolton	71.36	
Greenfield Wallpaper & Paint Co.	5.54	
Melvin Miller	32.00	
J. L. Dunnell & Son	2.00	
Arthur Ward	39.50	
Morgan Garage	20.19	
Bill's Service Station	1.30	
Hugh Hayden	43.50	
George Mello	9.60	
William Janes	50.00	
John Ware	20.20	
James McComb	2.40	
	$ 400.00	
Balance to Revenue	2.77	
		$ 402.77

Fish

Appropriation		$ 200.00
Berkley Hills Trout Farm		$ 200.00

Repairs Discontinued School Buildings

Appropriation		$ 1,000.00
Leavis & Bolton	$ 20.85	
Charles M. Repeta	735.40	
Potter Grain Stores	63.62	
Hamilton Cregar	3.25	
	$ 823.12	
Balance to Revenue	176.88	
		$ 1,000.00

World War II Memorial List and Expenses

Appropriation		$ 75.00
Balance to 1955		75.00

Cemeteries

Appropriation		$ 1,350.00
Ernest Kenney	$ 856.90	
Ernest Kenney, Jr.	80.00	
Marion Kenney	12.75	
Fred Avery, Jr.	9.75	
Northfield Water Co.	6.00	
C. V. R. R.	2.28	
Stearns Garage	1.47	
G. O. Dunnell	5.00	
Frank Anderson	99.17	
Neigh's Garage	52.50	
Kidder & Co.	23.53	
H. S. Cregar	8.50	
Elton Kinsman	22.50	
David Quinn	75.00	
William Stewart	63.75	
John Hammond	3.00	
Murray Hammond	23.20	
Ernest Nash	4.70	
		$ 1,350.00

Resurface Center Cemetery Road

Appropriation		$ 350.00
Frank Anderson	$ 328.50	
Ernest Kenney	21.50	
		$ 350.00

Cemetery Lots Filing System

Balance from 1953		$ 300.00
Ernest Kenney	$ 36.00	
Florin Andrew	36.75	
	$ 72.75	
Balance to 1955	227.25	
		$ 300.00

O.A.A. Adm. U.S.G.

Balance January 1, 1954	$ 665.71	
Receipts	1,229.83	
		$ 1,895.54
Shirley Kehl	$ 956.62	
Shirley Kehl, travel	28.13	
U. C. S. of Boston	10.00	
Johnson & Johnson	15.25	
N. E. Tel. & Tel. Co.	21.50	

Barrett & Baker	3.92	
Aucoin's Press	25.10	
	$ 1,060.52	
Balance to 1955	835.02	
		$ 1,895.54

O.A.A. U.S.G.

Balance January 1, 1954	$ 11,190.68	
Receipts	21,845.86	
Refunds	100.30	
		$ 33,136.84
Sundry persons	$ 24,956.66	
Balance to 1955	8,180.18	
		$ 33,136.84

A.D.C. Adm. U.S.G.

Balance January 1, 1954	$ 290.22	
Receipts	482.66	
		$ 772.88
Shirley Kehl	$ 273.32	
Shirley Kehl, travel	15.75	
Barrett & Baker	1.75	
N. E. Tel. & Tel. Co.	8.65	
	$ 299.47	
Balance to 1955	473.41	
		$ 772.88

A.D.C. U.S.G.

Balance January 1, 1954	$ 961.85	
Receipts	2,758.42	
		$ 3,720.27
Sundry persons	$ 2,997.47	
Balance to 1955	722.80	
		$ 3,720.27

D.A. Adm. U.S.G.

Balance January 1, 1954	$ 159.34	
Receipts	57.68	
		$ 217.02
Balance to 1955		$ 217.02

D.A. U.S.G.

Balance January 1, 1954	$ 1,014.06	
Receipts	1,253.18	
		$ 2,267.24
Sundry persons	$ 1,153.63	
Balance to 1955	1,113.61	
		$ 2,267.24

School Athletics

Balance January 1, 1954	$ 11.68	
Receipts	500.00	
		$ 511.68
The Northfield	$ 135.00	
George Leonard	14.51	
Mass. Sec. School Prin. Ass'n	10.00	
E. F. Holland Co.	12.47	
Lawton Dry Cleaners	47.60	
E. Treml	7.00	
J. Strypek	7.00	
R. Harris	10.00	
N. Hescock	24.00	
J. Putala	24.00	
W. Kostanski	36.00	
Elizabeth Dorchester	32.00	
Grace Butterweck	7.50	
Abbie Burrows	7.50	
	$ 374.58	
Balance to 1955	137.10	
		$ 511.68

School Lunch

Balance January 1, 1954	$ 1,427.57	
Receipts	14,546.30	
		$ 15,973.87
Minnie Huber	$ 1,616.00	
Susie Hillock	1,200.00	
Charlotte Black	334.00	
Ruth Johnson	242.60	
Rose Huber	22.08	
Irene Doolittle	61.50	
Dolores Fuller	63.00	
Donna Glazier	26.00	
Martha Bigelow	26.00	
Progressive Ideas, Inc.	49.47	
Com. of Mass.	119.25	
C. H. Wilson	261.00	
General Baking Co.	540.11	
Lindell's Express	135.87	
Dupont's Express	7.33	
Cascade Paper Co.	24.85	
Ruggeri Locker Plant	71.39	
John Sexton Co.	1,504.61	
Tenney Farms Dairy	3,505.55	
Berkshire Frosted Foods	1,155.33	
Mark Aldrich	756.38	
Robert Dumbreck	69.95	

G. Giovino	307.50	
Andrew Plotczyk	33.58	
Wards Stationers	6.60	
Darling & Rhodes	189.35	
Richard Smith	9.10	
Domestic Engineering	6.00	
Edward Bolton	30.60	
Northfield Pharmacy	1.10	
Beryle Hammond	1.10	
George Leonard	7.00	
	$ 12,384.20	
Balance to 1955	3,589.67	
		$ 15,973.87

Belcher Center School Fund

Balance January 1, 1954	$ 120.97	
Receipts	36.73	
		$ 157.70
Valley Studio & Camera Supply	$ 117.55	
Balance to 1955	40.15	
		$ 157.70

Montague Library Fund

Balance January 1, 1954	$ 114.47	
Receipts	50.00	
		$ 164.47
Bratto Roofing & Sheet Metal Co.	$ 160.00	
Balance to 1955	4.47	
		$ 164.47

Dickinson Book Fund

Balance January 1, 1954	$ 129.70	
Receipts	75.46	
		$ 205.16
Encyclopedia Britannica	$ 150.58	
Balance to 1955	54.58	
		$ 205.16

P.C. Funds, Center, So. Mt., Mt. H.

Balance January 1, 1954	$ 371.47	
Receipts	425.54	
		$ 797.01
Northfield Water Co.	6.00	
C. V. R. R.	2.72	
Wm. Stewart	18.38	
Ernest Kenney	448.20	
	$ 475.30	
Balance to 1955	321.71	
		$ 797.01

P.C. Funds Northfield Farms

Receipts		$ 104.99
M. M. Hammond	$ 12.05	
Wm. Stewart	37.50	
	$ 49.55	
Balance to 1955	55.44	
		$ 104.99

P.C. Funds West Northfield

Balance January 1, 1954	$ 201.88	
Receipts	239.36	
		$ 441.24
Carlton Holton	$ 93.85	
Philip Holton	28.00	
Wm. Hilliard	23.00	
David Gibson	46.00	
H. S. Cregar	40.19	
	$ 231.04	
Balance to 1955	211.20	
		$ 441.24

Smith Hughes Bardin Fund

Balance January 1, 1954	$ 292.00	
Receipts	334.62	
		$ 626.62
Sylvia Spencer	$ 192.00	
Ralph Sargent	100.00	
	$ 292.00	
Balance to 1955	334.62	
		$ 626.62

Recapitulation

	Appropriation	Payments	Balance
Moderator	$ 15.00	$ 15.00	
Selectmen & Welfare Board	1,100.00	1,072.42	$ 27.58
Selectmen's expense	283.69	283.69	——
Accountant	950.00	950.00	——
Accountant expense	75.00	75.00	——
Legal expense	251.60	251.60	——
Treasurer	900.00	900.00	——
Treasurer expense	400.00	400.00	——
Tax Collector	750.00	750.00	——
Tax Collector expense	500.00	419.61	80.39
Assessors & Clerk	1,250.00	1,229.14	20.86
Town Clerk	500.00	500.00	——
Town Clerk expense	80.00	67.98	12.02
Election & Registration	1,199.69	1,199.69	——

	Appropriation	Payments	Balance
Town Hall	4,800.00	4,748.96	51.04
Constables & expense	500.00	420.28	79.72
Fire Department	3,532.11	3,532.11	——
Hydrant Service	400.00	400.00	——
Maintenance Water Holes	400.00	399.79	.21
Care & Maintenance Fire Station	500.00	335.18	164.82
Public Safety	25.00	25.00	——
Wire Inspector	50.00	——	50.00
Sealer Weights & Measures	125.00	125.00	——
Sealer expense	25.00	25.00	——
Gypsy Moth Extermination	850.00	705.56	144.44
Dutch Elm Disease Control	600.00	599.95	.05
Tree Warden	750.00	750.00	——
Dog Officer & expense	150.00	95.30	54.70
Health	1,250.00	1,250.00	——
Nurse & Substitute	2,750.00	2,728.75	21.25
Nurse expense	75.00	65.22	9.78
Inspection of Animals	202.11	202.11	——
Inspection Meat & Slaughter	50.00	50.00	——
Tools	200.00	143.23	56.77
Highway Chapter 81	22,750.00	22,749.10	.90
Chapter 90—Gulf Road	8,000.00	7,999.20	.80
Chapter 90—Maintenance	3,000.00	2,999.56	.44
Railings	900.00	733.91	166.09
Bridges	3,000.00	2,994.84	5.16
Snow Removal	5,500.00	5,389.00	111.00
Highway Work	2,000.00	1,970.99	29.01
Street Lights	5,078.64	5,078.64	——
Highway Bounds, Surveys, Plans	250.00	——	250.00
Public Welfare Administration	2,500.00	2,336.22	163.78
General Relief	5,188.10	4,718.34	469.76
O.A.A.	37,571.00	36,739.37	831.63
A.D.C.	5,000.00	3,528.68	1,471.32
D.A.	3,000.00	2,218.83	781.17
Soldiers' Relief	3,500.00	2,424.75	1,075.25
School Committee	300.00	300.00	——
Schools	98,300.00	97,862.86	437.14
Regional District Planning Board	300.00	283.91	16.09
Adult Vocational Education	700.00	631.75	68.25
Dickinson Library	5,100.00	5,100.00	——
Dickinson Library Repairs	400.00	400.00	——
Northfield Farms Library	150.00	150.00	——
Alexander Hall	193.40	193.40	——
Insurance	3,312.56	3,312.56	——
Interest	720.00	720.00	——
Damages	200.00	——	200.00

	Appropriation	Payments	Balance
Clock & Fountain	150.00	79.50	70.50
Town Reports	800.00	800.00	——
Tax Title Foreclosure Costs	300.00	58.35	241.65
Protection Tax Title Property	25.00	——	25.00
Memorial Day	275.00	252.48	22.52
Playground and Athletic Field	402.77	400.00	2.77
Fish	200.00	200.00	——
Repairs to Discon. Schoolhouses	1,000.00	823.12	176.88
Care & Preservation of Cemeteries	1,350.00	1,350.00	——
Resurface Center Cemetery Road	350.00	350.00	——
Unexpended balances to revenue			
Fire Truck	17,000.00	——	17,000.00
Fire Station & Town Garage	61,389.50	54,474.18	6,915.32
Hwy. Chapter 90 Pine Meadow	12,000.00	8,309.50	3,690.50
Civil Defense	189.89	49.25	140.64
World War II Memorial List & exp.	75.00	——	75.00
Cemetery Lots Filing System	300.00	72.75	227.25
Unexpended balances to 1955			
Assessors & Clerk expense	243.14	242.70	.44
Nurse car expense	600.00	576.97	23.03
Sidewalk repairs	1,150.00	1,130.00	20.00
Unexpended balances to Reserve Fund			
Machinery maintenance	5,500.00	4,367.48	1,132.52
Purchase of truck and plows	3,600.00	3,259.00	341.00
Unexpended balances to Machinery Fund			
Reserve Fund	5,043.47	2,586.94	2,456.53
Unexpended balance to Overlay Reserve			
Refunds on taxes		698.15	
Cost on taxes		95.05	
Refund to State G. R.		168.00	
U. S. G. O. A. A. Adm.	1,895.54	1,060.52	835.02
O.A.A.	33,136.84	24,956.66	8,180.18
A.D.C. Adm.	772.88	299.47	473.41
A.D.C.	3,720.27	2,997.47	722.80
D.A. Adm.	217.02		217.02
D.A.	2,267.24	1,153.63	1,113.61
O.A.A. Recovery	2,688.10		2,688.10
State Aid to Highway	13,537.82		
Road Machinery Fund	5,385.35		
School Lunch	15,973.87	12,384.20	3,589.67
School Athletics	511.68	374.58	137.10
Dog Licenses	675.20	675.20	
Withholding Taxes	12,997.15	12,027.23	969.92
Co. Retirement	1,642.82	1,508.54	134.28
Mass. Hospital Service	1,218.60	1,218.60	——
U. S. Bond Income	250.00	250.00	——

	Appropriation	Payments	Balance
State Parks & Reservations		434.07	
State Audit		967.08	
Veterans Service Center		762.12	
Co. Retirement System		1,367.72	
Co. Tax		9,072.80	
Co. Dog Officer	108.50	115.00	
Wild Cat	20.00	30.00	
Geo. F. Morgan Fund	231.81	100.00	131.81
Roselle Evans Fund	112.63		112.63
Belcher Center School Fund	157.70	117.55	40.15
Belcher Library Fund	349.36		349.36
Montague Library Fund	164.47	160.00	4.47
Dickinson Book Fund	205.16	150.58	54.58
Sale Cemetery Lots Fund	1,585.12		1,585.12
P. C. Funds Ctr., Mt. H., So. Mt.	797.01	475.30	321.71
P. C. Funds Northfield Farms	104.99	49.55	55.44
P. C. Funds W. Northfield	441.24	231.04	211.20
P. C. Funds Calvin Stearns	31.48		31.48
P. C. Funds Mary Callender	56.68		56.68
Smith Hughes Barden Fund	626.62	292.00	334.62
Total cash payments by warrants		$386,190.87	
Cash on hand December 31, 1954		147,276.34	
			$533,467.21

BALANCE SHEET, TOWN OF NORTHFIELD

December 31, 1954

Assets

Cash			$147,276.34
Accounts Receivable			
Taxes—Levy of 1951			
Real Estate		$ 147.00	
Levy of 1952			
Personal Property	$ 81.30		
Real Estate	623.10	704.40	
Levy of 1953			
Poll	$ 14.00		
Personal Property	182.08		
Real Estate	5,325.64	5,521.72	
Levy of 1954			
Poll	$ 116.00		
Personal Property	2,498.61		
Real Estate	15,217.41	17,832.02	24,205.14

Liabilities and Reserves

Employees' Payroll Deductions		
Federal Taxes	$ 969.92	
County Retirement	134.28	$ 1,104.20
Tailings		275.38
Trust Fund Income		
Elisha Alexander Charity	$ 454.41	
George Morgan Charity	131.81	
Roselle Evans Charity	112.63	
Belcher Center School	40.15	
Belcher Library	349.36	
Montague Library	4.47	
Dickinson Book	54.58	
P.C. Cemetery Ctr., Mt. H., So. Mt.	321.71	
P.C. Cemetery, Nfld. Farms	55.44	
P.C. Cemetery West Northfield	211.20	
P.C. Cemetery Mary Callender	56.68	
P.C. Cemetery, Calvin Stearns	31.48	$ 1,823.92
Recoveries O.A.A.		2,688.10

Motor Vehicle and Trailer Excise			
Levy of 1952	$ 34.50		
Levy of 1953	1,363.69		
Levy of 1954	4,347.31		5,745.50
Tax Titles and Possessions			
Tax Title		$ 3,918.74	
Tax Possessions		417.66	4,336.40
Departmental			
Sidewalk Construction		$ 162.38	
O.A.A.		91.07	
A.D.C.		738.69	
V.B.		60.17	
Schools		702.00	1,754.31
Aid to Highways			
State		$ 10,672.27	
County		3,000.00	13,672.27

Federal Grants			
O.A.A. Adm.		$ 835.02	
O.A.A. Aid		8,180.18	
A.D.C. Adm.		473.41	
A.D.C. Aid		722.80	
D.A. Adm.		217.02	
D.A. Aid		1,113.61	$ 11,542.04
Revolving Funds			
School Lunch		$ 3,589.67	
School Athletics		137.10	$ 3,726.77
Appropriation Balances			
Fire Truck		$ 17,000.00	
Fire Station & Town Garage		6,915.32	
Chap. 90			
Pine Meadow Bridge		3,690.50	
Civil Defense		140.64	
W. W. II Memorial			
List & expenses		75.00	
Cemetery Lots Filing		227.25	$ 28,048.71
Overestimates			
State Parks & Reservations	$ 1.70		
County Tax		1,488.14	$ 1,489.84
Sale of Real Estate			1,260.00
Sale of Cemetery Lots			1,585.12
Smith Hughes Barden Fund			334.62

Wild Cat Bounty	$ 20.00	
County Dog Officer	6.50	26.50
		$197,016.46

Receipts reserved for Appropriations		
Road Machinery		7,145.44
Reserve Fund — Overlay Surplus		10,858.88
Overlays reserved for Abatements		
Levy of 1951	$ 147.00	
Levy of 1952	704.40	
Levy of 1953	4,423.62	
Levy of 1954	2,914.64	$ 8,189.66
Revenue reserved until Collected		
Motor Vehicle & Trailer Excise	$ 5,745.50	
Tax Title & Possessions	4,336.40	
Departmental	1,754.31	
State & County Aid to Hwy.	13,672.27	$ 25,508.48
Surplus Revenue		91,435.30
		$197,016.46

TRUST AND INVESTMENT ACCOUNTS

Trust & Investment Funds	
In Custody of Treasurer	$ 61,255.75
In Custody of Selectmen	2,323.00

Elisha Alexander Charity Fund	$ 2,020.00
Martha Alexander Charity Fund	8,657.61
Lottie Evans Charity Fund	860.12
George F. Morgan Charity Fund	3,000.00
Surplus Revenue School Fund	1,600.00
Belcher Center School Fund	1,250.00
Belcher Library Fund	9,739.01
Dickinson Book Fund	3,000.00

In Custody of Trustees	8,657.61	Cowles Cemetery Fund	2,000.00
		Belcher Cemetery Fund	2,000.00
		Calvin Stearns Cemetery Fund	500.00
		Mary Callender Cemetery	500.00
		West Nfld. Cemetery	8,320.00
		P.C. Cemetery Funds	
		In Custody of Treas.	13,314.75
		In Custody of Selectmen	303.00
		Post War Rehabilitation Fund	12,671.87
		Roselle Evans Worthy Poor Fund	500.00
		Montague Library Fund	2,000.00
	$ 72,236.36		$ 72 236.36

DICKINSON LIBRARY REPORT

During the library year 1954-55, the Board of Trustees of the Dickinson Memorial Library consisted of the following members: Mrs. Louise M. Reeves, Chairman; Mrs. Gwendolyn O. Leavis; Mrs. Lillian G. Wells; Mr. Luman A. Barber; Mr. Horace H. Morse, Secretary; and Mr. Winthrop W. Sanderson.

At the town meeting of February 1, 1954 Mrs. Lillian G. Wells and Mr. Winthrop W. Sanderson were elected to the Library Board to serve for three years.

The Librarian's report is an understatement of the Library's varied activities. Perhaps this year the summer reading contest and the frequent and highly interesting exhibits deserve special notice. The staff is to be congratulated on receiving the Garden Club prize for Christmas decoration. The dull-looking statistics should be read thoughtfully. In these times when it is asserted that nobody reads anything, that our community reads thousands of books ought to be a matter of satisfaction.

Persons who are familiar with other small town libraries notice our excellent building and its careful upkeep. In this matter the town has always responded generously to the requests of the Trustees and has found it a far-sighted policy.

Any suggestions for better equipment and better service are always welcome.

LOUISE M. REEVES, Chairman
HORACE H. MORSE, Secretary

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LIBRARIAN'S REPORT

Report of the librarian to the trustees of Dickinson Memorial Library, for the year 1954.

The circulation of books and magazines at the library during the year 1954, shows an increase of 1639 over the preceding year, and is distributed as follows:

Books, adult fiction	8137
Books, non-fiction	3071

Books, juvenile fiction	6788
Books, juvenile non-fiction	1812
Magazines, adult	1422
Magazines, juvenile	414
Interlibrary loan	32
Bookmobile books	3600
Total circulation	25276

The circulation in 1947 was 17941. This shows an increase of 7335 which, of course, means more work in each department. However, the staff remains the same; one full time librarian and one part time assistant.

Books added to the library during the year are as follows:

By purchase, adult fiction	109
By purchase, adult non-fiction	65
By purchase, juvenile fiction	77
By purchase, juvenile non-fiction	25
Gifts of books, adult	119
Gifts of books, juveniles	37
Total	432

During the year, the Regional Library Center at Greenfield, through the State Bookmobile has loaned a total of 2744 books, including 9 Polish language books. These were distributed through the Field Library, the Dickinson Memorial Library and at the homes of residents in West Northfield. At the special request of patrons, 33 volumes were borrowed from other libraries in the State.

Fines on overdue books and magazines, amounting to $213.98 were collected and paid to the town treasurer.

At the present time, there are 890 registrants in town and 13 non-resident registrations. Non-residents are now required to pay a fee of $1.00 for the use of the library for one year, which is also a requirement of other surrounding libraries.

143 pupils of the fifth, sixth, seventh and eighth grades were given a half-hour period of instruction in the use of the library by the librarian. These classes, consisting of ten to twelve pupils, were held in the morning so as not to interfere with the regular work of the library.

Nineteen children entered the Summer Reading Contest, held during July and August. 352 books were read and reported on by children from the second through the eighth grades. Winners, who received books as prizes, were: Jean

Thompson, Brenda Billings, Susan Leonard, Ronald Jordan, Amy St. Clair, Betsey Glazier and Carol Moore. Three of the books given as prizes were donated by Julian Messner, publishers. Mrs. Joyce La Force, the assistant librarian, designed the display used for this contest.

The new peg-board for displaying books, etc. was very helpful in making up many exhibits during the year. A few of the exhibits were:

Birthday of Dwight Lyman Moody
Lincoln's Birthday
Growing of African Violets
Stamp Collections
Hooked and braided rugs
Posters of World War I
Painted trays
Textiles, hand weaving
Saturday Evening Post covers by Norman Rockwell
Christmas decorations made of tin-foil
Covered bridges in the United States.

The library was especially decorated for the Christmas season and won first prize in the Garden Club Christmas Decoration Contest, for public buildings.

A 1953 set of The Encyclopedia Britannica is being added to the reference room, which will be much appreciated by the staff in reference work. Other valuable additions are the two new volumes of the History of Greenfield, the History of Athol, and the 1954 History of Northampton.

The most outstanding gifts of books the past year were made by the following: Mrs. Arnold Haack, Mrs. Russell Johnston, of West Hartford, Conn., Mrs. Miner Carpenter, Mrs. Harvey Hatheway, and Mrs. Evelyn Parker. We are indebted to the Northfield Fish and Game Association for a three-year subscription to The Outdoor Life Magazine.

The librarian and her assistant wish to express their appreciation to the trustees for their consideration and understanding of the needs of the library during the year.

Respectfully submitted,

FLORENCE PHELPS,
Librarian.

FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT

I want to thank the Firemen, the residents of Northfield and all others who have contributed to the success of the department during the year.

It was a busy year for the department starting off with the usual number of chimney fires in late Winter. Fortunately none of these caused any serious damage.

During the early Spring a number of the Firemen completed the Red Cross First Aid Course organized by our Town Nurse, Miss Barbara Mankowsky, and instructed by Mr. George Billings of the Greenfield Fire Department. Many thanks to Miss Mankowsky and Mr. Billings for donating their free time to conduct the course.

After completion of the Red Cross First Aid Course the Firemen started a 20 Hour Fire Fighters Training Program under the direction of Captain Leslie Ackerman of the Greenfield Fire Department. The school was a success, as much knowledge was gained in the use of ordinary fire fighting equipment and procedure as well as with specialized equipment. The classes were conducted at the local station with our own equipment. The final meeting of the school was a test. This was conducted under nearly the same conditions as at an actual fire. Captain Ackerman was well pleased with the results of the school.

On April 19th bids were opened for the purchase of the new fire engine. It was decided to award the contract to the Maxim Motor Company of Middleboro, Mass. The committee from the Fire Department who drew up the specifications for the truck spent many hours of their time working together to decide upon the proper and necessary equipment for the truck to meet the needs of the town.

During the Summer there were a few grass and brush fire calls. We also answered two emergency rescue calls.

In the Fall we answered numerous brush fire calls with only three of them being of dangerous proportions.

In late Fall and early Winter we answered many chimney fire calls.

During the entire year we answered fire calls for building fires. Unfortunately three of the buildings were nearly a total loss, one received some damage inside and the other received some damage outside.

The Firemen were on the alert and stood by at the Fire Station to answer numerous calls during both hurricanes.

Below is an accurate report of the number of fires, meetings and sundry calls during the year: meetings, 25; brush and grass, 21; building, 5; rubbish, 4; dump, 2; mutual aid to out of town, 2; sundry, 3; rescue, 2; flooded oil burner, 3; chimney, 9.

We are making great progress on the water holes in town by the use of power equipment for cleaning the present ones and building new ones. During 1954 the appropriation was spent for cleaning two water holes, repairing two water holes and building two more. With the same amount of money in the coming year to be spent on water holes, we will eventually establish an enviable network of water holes outside the hydrant district. This system will offer much better protection to the outlying districts of town.

During the year the Firemen, by their own methods, have raised nearly enough money to furnish the new Fire Station meeting room.

Very soon after the beginning of 1955 we should be moved into our new quarters in the new Fire Station.

Respectfully submitted,

FLOYD M. DUNNELL, JR.
Fire Chief.

FOREST FIRE WARDEN

During the year ending Dec. 31, 1954 there were 723 permits given "to burn." There were 15 grass fires and 7 brush fires.

Respectfully submitted,

ANDREW R. GRAY
Forest Fire Warden

Report of the Fire House Building Committee

In accord with a vote taken at a special Town Meeting, May 4, 1953 a committee was appointed, William M. Marshall, representing the Selectmen, George Sheldon to represent the previous committee, Alfred E. Holton the Fire Department, Fred A. Holton, the Finance Committee, and Fred H. Doolittle.

The Committee was organized with Fred H. Doolittle as chairman, and William M. Marshall as Secretary. The first order of business was searching title and survey of the land and study of plans. Search of title and survey made by F. Dean Avery Associates. Blueprint of Survey filed with the Town Clerk.

Thomas J. Gass Co. Inc. of Greenfield was low bidder of seven bids filed on Dec. 16, 1954 at Four P. M.

The contract price was $58,523.60. This was reduced by $162.50 from Hardware allowance of $400.00. Contract for Hardware let to Foster-Farren & Co., Northampton, Mass.

This gave your committee $6,638.90 to meet Architects fees and other expenses as shown by financial report.

Construction was started early in 1954 (January). The Highway Dept. occupied the basement August 1, 1954.

The building was accepted with reservations as of November 22nd, 1954. A set of plans and specifications, together with the keys was turned over to the Selectmen on November 30, who accepted the building as of that date. As of December 31, 1954, the committee has final payment due the contractor about Jan. 22, 1955 of $6,049.86 and unexpended balance of $865.46.

The committee feels that we have a good substantial building, of good material and workmanship, and practically fire proof.

Respectfully submitted,

FRED H. DOOLITTLE
ALFRED C. HOLTON
FRED A. HOLTON
WILLIAM M. MARSHALL
GEORGE H. SHELDON

Report of Public Health Nurse

I herewith submit my report as Public Health Nurse from Jan. 1, 1954—December 10, 1954.

The Annual Well Child Conference was held in June with Dr. Anthony Stone, of Athol, as attending Pediatrician. Sixty-six children were examined.

Our school physician, Dr. F. Wilton Dean, conducted the Annual Pre-School clinic, at Center School, in June. Thirty-eight youngsters attended.

As has been usual in the past a boy and a girl were sent to Greenfield Health Camp. The camp accepts a boy in July, and a girl in August. Children between the ages of 8-12 are eligible to attend.

The following is an account of my work:

Non-communicable visits	1424
Ante partum visits	3
Post partum visits	5
Infant health supervision	19
Tuberculosis contacts	2
People not taken under care	1
Personal service	
Visits made and parents not at home	3
Visits regarding school children	31
Transportation	4
Total visits	1488
Total fees collected	$305.00

Respectfully submitted,

BARBARA MANKOWSKY, R.N.

I herewith submit my report as Public Health Nurse from December 10, 1954-December 31, 1954.

On December 14, Miss Ann McKinnon, physical therapist from the Dept. of Public Health, conducted a clinic at Center School. Nine children were seen at this time.

At Christmas time toys and gifts were delivered to needy children, through the kindness of several organizations and individuals.

I summarize my work as follows:

Home visits made (chronic)	21
Home visits as a follow-up service	4
Conferences with parents	6
Conferences with doctors	4
Conferences with nursing supervision	1
	36
Total fees collected	$5.00

I wish to thank all who have been so cooperative to me, in assuming my new duties. I shall try to do a creditable job.

Respectfully submitted,

MARIAN BILLINGS, R.N.

Cemetery Commissioners' Report

The cemeteries of Northfield have had their usual care during the past year of 1954. One of the trees in Center cemetery was removed at the beginning of the year because there was danger of its falling and damaging monuments and lots.

The following bills have been approved and paid:

CENTER CEMETERY

Ernest Kenney	$1,305.10	G. O. Dunnell	5.00
Ernest Kenney, Jr.	80.00	Neigh's Garage	39.65
Marion Kenney	12.75	Stearns Garage	1.47
Fred Avery	9.75	Elton B. Kinsman	17.50
David Quinn	75.00	Northfield Water Company	12.00
Central Vermont Railway, Inc.	5.00	Frank W. Anderson	99.17
Kidder and Company	23.53		
Hamilton S. Cregar	8.50		$1,694.42

WEST NORTHFIELD

Carlton Holton	$ 93.85	David Gibson	46.00
Philip Holton	28.00	Hamilton S. Cregar	40.19
William Hilliard	23.00		
			$ 231.04

FARMS CEMETERY

Neigh's Garage	$ 12.85	George Spofford Lot:		
William Stewart	119.63	January 1st.		
Ernest Nash	4.70	Received	$3.05	
Elton B. Kinsman	5.00	June 1st.		
Murray M. Hammond	35.25	Reveived	3.05	
John Hammond	3.00			
			$6.10	
	$ 180.43	Paid Labor		$ 6.10

CENTER CEMETERY ROAD

In Center cemetery the road was resurfaced and widened in places.

Appropriation	$ 350.00	
Frank W. Anderson Labor and Material		$ 328.50
Ernest Kenney Labor		21.50
		$ 350.00

RECEIVED FOR THE SALE OF LOTS 1954

Name	*Cemetery*	*Lot & No.*	*Price*
E. E. Closson	W. Northfield	1 lot 240	$ 25.00
Albert Charbonneau	W. Northfield	1 lot 241	25.00
Frederick Clough	W. Northfield	1 lot 236	25.00
F. E. & H. C. Clough	W. Northfield	1 lot 237	25.00
Ruth B. Keller	Mt. Hermon	1 lot 31½	20.00
Harold Holm	Mt. Hermon	1 lot 30	25.00
Mrs. Mildred Kimmens	Center	1 lot A43	25.00
		TOTAL	$170.00
		Paid to the town of Northfield	$170.00

DAVID G. QUINN, Chairman,
CARLTON W. HOLTON,
MURRAY M. HAMMOND.

PLANNING BOARD REPORT

The Northfield Planning Board re-organized this year with George Leonard as chairman and with Dr. Dean as secretary. Various ways of improving Northfield were discussed. In addition to further discussion on zoning, it was suggested that a special committee be set up to draw up a set of town by-laws. Apparently no real by-laws are in existence to aid the selectmen and other officers in running town affairs. Many things voted in years past at town meetings are buried in old minutes and often forgotten. It was felt that all the old records and minutes should be gone over and such matters be consolidated in an up to date set of by-laws. Further work is to be done on this matter.

Any suggestions by the citizens of Northfield as to Planning Board matters will be gratefully accepted for consideration.

Respectfully submitted,

F. WILTON DEAN, Sec.

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FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT

The Finance Committee was organized for the year on March 10, 1954 with Roger M. Greenwood as Chairman and Dorothy L. Miller as Secretary. The Committee has held eight meetings and all financial matters coming before the town have been considered and recommendations made.

Transfers from the $5000 Reserve Fund were authorized as follows:

May 3	—To the Insurance Account	$ 312.56
Aug. 6	—To the Insurance Account	520.00
Nov. 19	—To the Fire Department Account	500.00
	To the Election and Registration Account	87.28
	To the Nurses Car Expense Account	50.00
	To the Side Walk Account	150.00
Dec. 29	—To Selectmen's Expense Account	33.69
	To Legal Expense Account	1.60
	To Assessor's Expense Account	18.16

To Election and Registration Account	12.41	
To Fire Department Account	438.09	
To Inspection of Animals Account	27.11	
To Street Lights Account	417.64	
To Alexander Hall Account	18.40	
Total	$ 2,586.94	
Balance		$ 2,413.06

ROGER M. GREENWOOD, Chairman
DOROTHY L. MILLER, Secretary
NORMAN F. FOWLER
GEORGE W. CARR
WILLIAM E. PECK
WALLACE STANGE

VETERANS' AGENT REPORT

Submitted herewith is a report of the District Department of Veterans Services for the year 1954.

The Central Franklin County District Veterans Service Center which is co-sponsored by the Town of Northfield rendered services throughout the past year as follows:

1	Active Service Problems	298
2	Bonus	571
3	Compensation	489
4	Death Benefits	319
5	Discharges	352
6	Education	358
7	Employment	301
8	Finance	309
9	Housing	84
10	Insurance	360
11	Legal	150
12	Loans	243
13	Medical	671
14	Notarizations	79
15	Pensions	421
16	Photostats	3237
17	Recordings	84
18	Selective Service	315
19	Social Security	180

20	Taxes	573
21	Veterans Benefits	1918
22	Vital Statistics	622
23	Unclassified	1326
	Total contacts	13260

It would be extremely difficult to determine the exact number of contacts which can be attributed to the veterans of Northfield. You are assured however, that the services rendered to your veteran population were in a ratio proportionate with those granted to other communities comprising the District.

The Veterans Benefits section of the District processed nine cases for the Town of Northfield. The funds expended therefor are subject to the reimbursement of 50% from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

The prospects for the year 1955 would indicate a persistent increase in the demand for Veterans Services.

Respectfully submitted,
HOMER L. GAMELIN, Director
Veterans Services.

Regional School District Committee Report

To the Citizens of Bernardston, Northfield and Warwick:

At special town meetings held on May 25, 1954, by favorable vote in Bernardston, Northfield and Warwick, according to the agreement filed with the selectmen of the several towns and Sections 14 to 16 inclusive of Chapter 71 of the General Laws, a Regional School District was established.

By the terms of the agreement the moderators of the several towns appointed the following: Bernardston, Mr. Wendell E. Streeter, Mrs. Anna M. Wilcox, Mr. Paul J. Donaldson; Northfield, Mr. Robert P. Barnes, Mr. Irving J. Lawrence, Mr. Walla M. Stearns; Warwick, Mrs. Emily L. Benoit, Mr. Albert H. Stoddard, Jr., Mr. J. Norman Durkee.

The first meeting of the Regional School District Committee was held June 10, 1954.

The committee was organized as follows: Mr. Wendell Streeter, Chairman; Mr. Albert H. Stoddard, Jr., Vice Chairman; Mr. Howard King, Treasurer; Miss Jean McComb, Secretary; Mr. F. Sumner Turner, Superintendent.

Nineteen regular meetings have been held together with numerous meetings of sub-committees.

Miss Marilyn Browning won the contest to choose a name for the District. The name so chosen was Pioneer Valley Regional School District.

A seal depicting a pioneer ox yoke over a lamp of knowledge surmounted by an open book was chosen as the seal.

Many possible sites were visited and investigated. Five were chosen for further study. The so-called Bolton-Hudson site located on Route 10 was unanimously selected. The price of the two parcels of land was set at $18,000.

The Second National Bank of Boston was selected to handle the bonding for this District. All requirements of the bonding attorneys have been fulfilled and the District is now able to borrow money according to the agreement and the General Laws. The bonding attorneys paid credit to the fine order of the records of our Town Clerks.

On October 28, 1954 the Committee unanimously voted to bond the District for $90,000 for the cost of the site, working drawings and other expenses incidental to getting actual bids for the building. During the waiting period of one month, on November 26, 1954 Bernardston and Northfield held special town meetings according to law and sustained the vote of the Committee. In Bernardston, yes 155 (against the loan), no 187 (in favor of the loan). In Northfield, yes 232, no 323, blank 1. According to Chapter 71, Section 16d, the motion must be made in a negative manner and a negative vote cast to permit the Regional School District Committee to bond the District.

In anticipation of the floating of the bond issue $25,000 was borrowed on a four months note. Title to the Bolton-Hudson site was passed and recorded in the Greenfield Court House, December 31, 1954. Mr. John Marshall, Administrator, Massachusetts School Building Assistance Commission, has declared this site to be "potentially one of the finest sites in the State." Contractors and architects, likewise, have been very lush in their praise of the site.

According to the agreement, hearings on the operational budget were held in the several towns on or before November 15, 1954. The budget as follows was adopted by the Committee on November 30, 1954 and registered by

the treasurer with the several town treasurers on December 31, 1954.

OPERATIONAL BUDGET

Telephone	$ 100.00
Salaries and travel of Secretary and Treasurer	1,000.00
Office Supplies	75.00
Postage	75.00
Printing	500.00
Auditing	50.00
Miscellaneous	75.00
	$2,000.00
Northfield's Share	$1,118.80
Bernardston's Share	612.60
Warwick's Share	268.60
	$2,000.00

A survey and topographical map of the site has been prepared by The Office of G. E. Ainsworth of Deerfield, Massachusetts.

At the time of writing this report the Committee is busily engaged in interviewing architects and preparing with the assistance of Mr. Marshall's office the Educational specifications of the proposed school.

The Committee sincerely desire this school to reflect the needs and thinking of the several towns. At the first meeting it was unanimously voted that the meetings should be open to the public and the press. It is far easier and cheaper to make changes while the plans are still in the formative stage than when the building is built. The Committee cordially invites any and all interested citizens to attend the meetings. Unless for a special reason, the meetings are held on Thursday evening. Prior notice of time and place will be found in the newspaper and over the radio.

Respectfully submitted,

MR. WENDELL E. STREETER, Chairman
MR. ROBERT P. BARNES
MRS. EMILY L. BENOIT
MR. PAUL J. DONALDSON
MR. J. NORMAN DURKEE
MR. IRVING H. LAWRENCE
MR. WALLA M. STEARNS
MR. ALBERT H. STODDARD, JR.
MRS. ANNA M. WILCOX

SCHOOL COMMITTEE REPORT

ORGANIZATION FOR YEAR 1954

School Committee

Louis Abbey, Chairman	Term expires 1955
Irving Lawrence, Secretary	Term expires 1956
Roy Fish	Term expires 1957

Meetings of the School Committee

The regular meetings of the School Committee are held on the third Thursday of each month, except July and August, at 2:00 P.M., at the Center School.

Superintendent of Schools

F. Sumner Turner
Dartmouth A.B. — Harvard M.Ed.
Boston University — University of Massachusetts
Office, Center School, Tel. 757

School Secretary

Jean McComb

School Physician

F. Wilton Dean, M.D.

School Nurses

Barbara Mankowsky, R.N.
Tel. 2263
Marion C. Billings, R.N.

School Calendar (1955-1956)

Schools Open January 3, 1955	Close February 18, 1955
Schools Open February 28, 1955	Close April 15, 1955
Schools Open April 25, 1955	Close June 17, 1955
Schools Open September 7, 1955	Close December 22, 1955
Schools Open January 3, 1956	Close February 17, 1956

Report of School Superintendent

To the School Committee and Citizens of Northfield:

I am pleased to present herewith my seventh annual report dealing with the progress made within the public school during the year 1954. This is the 218th report on public education in the town of Northfield.

Teacher Changes

The past year brought two changes in our school faculty. By and large, it is most beneficial to have changes in teaching personnel reduced to a minimum. A fine community, good working conditions, friendly and competent associates and a worthwhile salary schedule are all needed to attract and keep good teachers. The School Committee is endeavoring to make teaching in Northfield as attractive as possible. The town of Northfield can be justly proud of the fine faculties of their schools and the fine work they are doing under crowded conditions.

Mrs. Marion Nau finished the school year 1953-1954 as previously agreed. It was most fortunate that a teacher of Mrs. Nau's fine ability and personality could be found to fill out the school year.

Mr. Thomas Higgins accepted a position in New Jersey at a higher salary and greater opportunities.

Mrs. Rae Janson, Keene Teachers College, B.E., was appointed to teach Grade 2. Mrs. Janson, in her first year of teaching, is doing an exceptionally fine job and is a distinct addition to the Center School faculty.

Mr. Conrad Bayley, Tufts College, A.B., was appointed teacher-coach in the High School. Mr. Bayley, likewise in his first year of teaching, is doing an exceptionally fine job. His success with the soccer and basketball teams attests to his ability to coach and to gain the respect of the boys of the school. Mr. Bayley adds much to the teaching personnel of Northfield High School.

Towards the close of the year Miss Barbara Mankowsky, School Nurse, resigned because of ill health. The School Personnel wish to express their thanks for the generous help and many kindnesses shown teachers and pupils by Miss Mankowsky during her many years of service.

Miss Marion C. Billings has been appointed as School Nurse.

Pupil Housing Conditions

The increased enrollments are now taxing our schools very heavily. There are evidences that pupil and teacher efficiency are

being lowered by oversized classes. As of December 31, 1953, the classroom enrollments are as follows

Grade	*Number*	*Teacher*
1	21	Mrs. Ruth Bolton
1	23	Mrs. Dorothea Holt
2	28	Mrs. Virginia Haack
2	28	Mrs. Rae Janson
3	34	Miss Mary Dalton
4	40	Mrs. Dorothy Herrick
5	33	Mrs. Evelyn Parker
6	32	Mr. Hugh S. Hayden
Total	239	

The school census taken October 1, 1954 lists the names of 51 pupils expected to enter school this coming fall. This will give us the following enrollment, September, 1955.

Grade 1 — 51	Grade 5 — 40
Grade 2 — 44	Grade 6 — 33
Grade 3 — 56	
Grade 4 — 34	Total —— 258

It is obvious for best results educationally and financially there should be two rooms each for grades, 1, 2, and 3. That would mean nine rooms. There are but eight classrooms in Center School. The School Committee after much study have tentatively planned to divide the classes as follows:

Grade 1 — 26	Grade 3 — 35
Grade 1 — 25	Grade 4 — 34
Grade 2 — 35	Grade 5 — 40
Grade 2 - 3 30	Grade 6 — 33

This plan is not satisfactory but seems to be the best possible. It is hoped that this will only be necessary for one more year.

The High School population is projected as follows:

Grade 7 — 34	Grade 11 — 21
Grade 8 — 50	Grade 12 — 18
Grade 9 — 33	
Grade 10 — 16	Total —— 172

The division into classes is too complex for discussion at this time. It will mean a tight, overloaded, inadequate schedule. Most teachers will be called upon to teach almost every period and study pupils in recitation rooms will be common. The Committee earnestly hopes that this will be the last year of such crowding.

The over crowding of classrooms is only one phase of the problem. Every facility of the physical plant is overtaxed and efficient and economical operation is reduced.

During the year splendid progress has been made toward an economical and educationally sound solution of our school building and school program problems. The report of the Pioneer Valley Regional School District will give details of their work.

The Town owes much credit to Mr. Robert Barnes, Mr. Harold Parsons and Mr. Irving T. Lawrence, members of the Regional School District Planning Board, who spent much time and labor in studying the school problems of Northfield. They were greatly responsible for the splendid pamphlet explaining the situation, the Regional School possibilities and the Regional School Agreement which received favorable support in the Town Meeting of May 25, 1954.

Testing Program

In addition to our regular testing program given each child in the school, Northfield High was selected as part of a special testing program given in selected schools throughout the nation. The details and results of this program are found in the Report of the High School Principal.

Textbooks

During the year new textbooks were added in General Science Grades 7 and 8, Dictionaries in Grades 4, 5, and 6, and a set of World Book Encyclopedia for the Center School. Our increased enrollments called for many additional and many replacements to existing texts.

School Cafeteria

During the year 45,029 type A complete lunches and 5,260 bottles of milk were served. At the present time over 300 pupils are served each day. A type A lunch consists of at least 2 oz. serving of meat, fish, cheese, peanut butter, egg, dried beans or peas; ¾ cup of cooked or raw fruit or vegetable; one or more slices of whole grain or enriched bread; 2 teaspoons of butter; ½ pint whole milk and usually a dessert. With the aid of Federal and State reimbursements and surplus commodities we have been able to continue the price per lunch at 20 cents. This fall, the Department of Agriculture, in order to foster the consumption of more whole milk, has instituted a program which we are offering additional bottles of milk at lunch and milk at the afternoon recess at 3 cents a bottle. Many pupils are availing themselves of this opportunity. Once again let me express my appreciation of the fine work done in our Lunch Program, by Mrs. Eugene Hammond, Mrs. Minnie Huber, Mrs. Susie Hillock and Mrs. Ruth Johnson.

Adult Education

The Practical Art Classes, sponsored by the Northfield Evening Practical Art Program, continues to find interest among the adult population. During the year, 131 adults entered creative work and instruction, an increase of 14 over last year.

January to May 1954

Class	*Number*	*Teacher*
Rug Hooking	17	Mrs. Ralph Spencer
Chair Caning	14	Mr. Ralph Sargent
Rug Braiding	20	Mrs. Ralph Spencer
Total	51	

October to December 1954

Rug Hooking	15	Mrs. Ralph Spencer
Early American Decoration	15	Miss Harriet Hawkes
Chair Caning	18	Mr. Ralph Sargent
Rug Braiding	18	Mrs. Ralph Spencer
Sewing	14	Mrs. Adrian Savage
Total	80	

Total for Year 131

VOCATIONAL EDUCATION

Northfield Evening Practical Arts

Appropriation		$ 700.00	
George Barden Funds		292.00	$ 992.00
Expenditures		$ 710.00	
Western Mass. Elec.		102.00	
McIntosh & Son, Inc.		24.00	
John Spindler		71.00	
New Eng. Tel. & Tel. Co.		16.75	$ 923.75
Balance			$ 68.25
Net Cost to Town			
Appropriation		$ 700.00	
Balance	$ 68.25		
Reimbursement State	206.34		
Registration	131.00		
Tuition	4.20		
Tuition Gill	41.40		
Tuition Bernardston	39.00		
Tuition Deerfield	3.00		
Tuition Greenfield	15.60	508.79	
Net Cost			$191.21

There were 131 adults registered in eight (8) classes.

ESTIMATED EXPENDITURES FOR 1955

Teacher Salaries	
4 classes spring	$ 400.00
4 classes fall	400.00
Heat, light and supplies	100.00
Janitor	80.00
	$ 980.00
Available Funds	
George Barden (Received)	$ 334.62
George Barden (Estimated)	100.00
	$ 434.62

Finances

This past year the educational program cost the local taxpayers $58,901.72. The total expenditure was $97,860.09, the difference of $38,958.37 for the most part, came from state reimbursements. The percentage of state reimbursement increased during the year to 39.8 per cent. The net increase in total cost was $1,036.59. The school population increased from 380 in 1953 to 406 in 1954. The per pupil cost of our schools for the last three years has been as follows:

1952 — $163.16
1953 — 152.26
1954 — 149.12

Under the present reimbursement laws the State Aid and other reimbursements have been estimated as follows:

Chapter 70 as amended 1948 Chapter 643	$17,647.48
Vocational Tuition	972.40
Transportation	14,277.00
Vocational Transportation	936.35
State Wards, Tuition and Transportation	2,400.00
Supt. Salary and Travel	1,212.45
Tuition	1,610.00
	$39,055.68

These reimbursements depend, in part, on the expenditures and can vary from the estimated figures.

Next year's budget calls for an expenditure of $99,900.00. This represents an increase of 1.6% over the requests of one year ago.

If the estimates for reimbursement, particularly those of state wards and tuition, and the forecast of school population hold true, the cost per pupil will decrease for the third consecutive year.

Each year, in fact, brings new problems to our schools. To achieve the results which we, as Americans, expect of our schools and

for which we pledge financial support, our schools must be ever changing and meeting these new problems with all facilities at our command.

This clipping, the Clearing House, expresses quite well the basic problem of our schools.

Now or Never

"Children in our schools will never come this way again. The opportunities we fail to provide them now will never be available to them again. The problems they develop must be dealt with now or never. Every individual, unless his native ability approaches that of the imbecile, has certain strengths that should be searched out and used to bolster his self-confidence and thus used as a lever to develop that individual to the greatest extent of his abilities. Unless we meet such needs we have failed our children. What is done in our classrooms today will be reflected in the success or failures of civilization tomorrow."—Lindly C. Baxter in New Jersey Educational Review.

Once again, let me extend a most cordial invitation to all citizens of the Town to visit our schools during school hours. It is at this time that you will learn, first hand, the aims we are trying to accomplish, the materials which we use, the varied problems that we face each day, the conditions under which we work, and the successes or failures which we achieve.

The achievements of our schools are due to the cooperation, efforts, and fine work of the School Committee, Principal, Teachers, Secretarial staff and the other workers of our schools. I wish to thank them in making 1954 a year of much success. Likewise, I thank the parents, pupils, town departments and civic organization for their continued cooperation and assistance.

Respectfully submitted,

F. SUMNER TURNER
Superintendent of Schools

Report of School Organization

HIGH SCHOOL

Name	*Subject or Grade*	*Where Educated*
George M. Leonard	Principal Science, Math.	Bridgewater State Teachers College, B.S. Boston University, M.Ed.
Evelyn G. Lawley	Assistant Principal Science Mathematics	 Smith College, A.M. *Boston University
Nellie W. Dearstyne	Spanish English	American International College, B.A. Springfield College, M.Ed. *Columbia University *University Extension Merrill Business College
Conrad S. Bayley	Science 7 Social Studies Physical Education	Tufts College, A.B.
M. Carleton Brown	Commercial	Bay Path Institute *Northeastern University
Eleanor A. Hammond	Latin Social Studies	Wheaton College, A.B. Mount Holyoke, A.M. *Boston University *Colorado College of Agriculture and Mining

Beryle M. Hammond	Home Economics	University of New Hampshire, B.S.
	English	*University of Massachusetts
Jean E. Kozolowski	English	Tufts College, B.A.
Virginia Raymond	Music Supervisor	Boston University, B.A.
Barbara Mankowsky	School Nurse	Mercy Hospital, R.N., Springfield, Mass.
Marion C. Billings	School Nurse	Franklin County Public Hospital, R.N.
Jeannette L. Rich	Art Supervisor	Mass. School of Art, B.S. in Ed.
		*Booth Bay Summer School

*Attended without graduation

CENTER SCHOOL

Name	*Subject and Grade*	*Where Educated*
Dorothy T. Herrick	Principal	Fitchburg Normal
	Grade 4	*University Extension
Ruth Bolton	Grade 1	Fitchburg Normal
		*University Extension
Mrs. Rae Janson	Grade 2	Keene Teachers College, B.E.
Virginia S. Haack	Grade 2	Stevens Institute Technology (Academy)
		*Leslie College Extension Course
		*Berlitz School of Language
		*Columbia University
		*University Extension
		*University of Maryland
Dorothea B. Holt	Grade 1	Keene Teachers College
		*University of Vermont
		*University Extension
		*Springfield College

Mary E. Dalton	Grade 3	Northfield Seminary *Massachusetts State Teachers' College *Hyannis Normal *University Extension
Evelyn H. Parker	Grade 5	North Adams State Teachers' College, B.S.
Hugh S. Hayden	Grade 6	University of New Hampshire, B.S. *University of Massachusetts

*Attended without graduation

SCHOOL CUSTODIANS

John Spindler

Part-Time Assistants
William Janes
John D. Ware

SCHOOL LUNCH

Mrs. Minnie Huber

Mrs. Ruth Johnson

Mrs. Susie Hillock

SCHOOL COMMITTEE FINANCIAL REPORT

Appropriation

Item	Appropriation 1954	Expended 1954	Recommended 1955
Superintendent's Salary	$ 2,293.00	$ 2,239.95	$ 2,389.00
Out-of-State Travel	35.00	28.91	53.00
Administration Expense	141.00	35.00	142.00
Clerk	822.00	822.51	893.00
Salaries, Teachers	57,197.00	56,037.90	58,350.00
Supervisor, Music	960.00	960.00	960.00
Supervisor, Art	672.00	656.00	712.00
Supervisor, Penmanship	500.00	450.00	500.00
Textbooks	1,000.00	1,278.16	1,000.00
Supplies, Student	1,500.00	1,477.95	1,500.00
Domestic Science	100.00	140.57	100.00
Supplies, Janitor	500.00	979.61	700.00
Salaries, Janitor	3,950.00	3,998.72	4,100.00
Sports Officials	100.00	101.50	100.00
Fuel	3,000.00	2,769.56	3,000.00
Water and Current	950.00	1,327.39	1,100.00
Repairs	500.00	741.31	500.00
New Equipment	500.00	602.71	500.00
Medical, Physician	300.00	300.00	300.00
Nurse	650.00	650.00	650.00
Tuition, Vocational	2,180.00	1,731.12	1,920.00
Transportation	16,650.00	16,307.54	16,650.00
Transportation, Vocational	2,200.00	2,037.58	2,100.00
Sundry Education	600.00	779.27	681.00
Special Project	1,000.00	1,309.60	1,000.00
Totals	$ 98,300.00	$ 97,862.86	$ 99,900.00
Returned to Town Treasury			$ 437.14

State Aid and Net Cost of Education

Year	*Total Expenditures*	*State Aid and Other Receipts*	*%*	*Net Cost of Education*
1944	$ 38,389.09	$ 10,164.53	27	$ 28,524.56
1945	41,091.11	10,545.66	26	30,545.45
1946	44,768.34	10,967.61	25	33,800.73
1947	57,711.99	19,561.29	33.9	38,150.70
1948	60,267.81	20,824.44	34.5	39,443.37
1949	68,938.71	28,504.23	41.3	40,479.48
1950	74,641.75	31,808.52	43.6	42,833.42
1951	82,123.95	32,881.28	40	49,242.67
1952	88,485.13	32,682.11	37	55,803.02
1953	92,534.77	34,669.64	37	57,865.13
1954	97,860.09	38,958.37	39.8	58,901.72

Net Cost of Schools in 1954

Expenditures		$ 92,534.77
State of Massachusetts Reimbursements:		
Chapter 70 as amended 1948 Chapter 643	$ 17,647.48	
Vocational Tuition	1,071.86	
Transportation	14,191.72	
Vocational Transportation	716.09	
State Wards: Tuition and Transportation	3,122.90	
Supt's Salary and Travel	1,212.45	
Tuition: Town of Warwick	826.00	
Town of Erving	84.00	
Town of Vernon	84.00	
Lost book	1.87	
Total		$ 38,958.37
1954 Net Cost of Education	$ 58,901.72	
1953 Net Cost of Education	57,865.13	
Net Increase	$ 1,036.59	
Net Cost per pupil Fiscal Year 1952	$ 163.16	
Net Cost per pupil Fiscal Year 1953	152. 26	
Net Cost per pupil Fiscal Year 1954	149.12	

CENTER SCHOOL LUNCH ROOM
For the Year 1954

Net Worth (Cash, Inventory, Claims)			$ 2,167.73
FINANCIAL STATEMENT:			
Cash Balance		$ 1,001.14	
Complete Lunch (Student)	$ 8,833.20		
Complete Lunch (Adult)	734.70		
Milk	309.93		
Gov. Reimbursement	4,100.44		
Miscellaneous	69.56		
Receipts for the Year		$ 14,047.83	
Total		$ 15,048.97	
DISBURSEMENTS:			
Food	$ 4,789.12		
Milk	3,667.82		
Salaries	3,590.18		
Other	736.77		
Total		$ 12,783.89	
Cash Balance		$ 2,265.08	

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Inventory	406.90		
U.S.D.A. Claims (Nov.)	491.28		
(Dec.)	441.73		
Total Assets		$ 3,604.99	
Liabilities (Unpaid Bills)			
General Baking Company	$ 50.00		
Total Liabilities		$ 50.00	
Net Worth			$ 3,654.99

Report on School Census

(October 1, 1954)

	Boys	*Girls*	*Total*
Between ages 0 - 5	110	129	239
Between ages 5 - 7	45	41	86
Between ages 7 - 14	139	138	277
Between ages 14 - 16	30	29	59
Total			661

Enrollment by Grades, October 1, 1954

Grade	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
Boys	22	27	20	25	11	19	21	26	7	10	9	4
Girls	25	30	15	15	21	13	25	22	10	12	9	9
Total	47	57	35	40	32	32	56	48	17	22	18	13

Resident Enrollment by Schools

	Boys	*Girls*	
Center School	124	119	
High School	77	87	
Greenfield Vocational	7	0	
Greenfield Jr. High	0	2	
Mount Hermon School	12	0	
Northfield School for Girls	0	13	
Eaglebrook	1	0	
Deerfield Academy	1	0	
Bement	1	0	
West-Minster Prep. — Conn.	1	0	
Brattleboro	2	0	
Total	226	221	
Grand Total			447

Report of High School Principal

To the Superintendent of Schools and School Committee:

I herewith submit my eighth annual report as principal of Northfield High School.

Organization and Program

A marked increase in the enrollment is noteworthy for the present school year. Previous to the entrance of the seventh and eighth grades into this building eight years ago, the rooms of the present building were accommodating, usually, fewer than 75 students. Our present enrollment of 165 is more than twice that number and the very crowded condition is evident to the casual observer as well as to school personnel.

An enrollment of nearly 50 students in each of the seventh and eighth grade classes has required the division of these two classes, thus doubling the teaching load. None of our regular classrooms will accommodate classes of over 25 to 30 pupils. Our space limitations are also evident when one examines our program and finds that during five periods of the day it is necessary to have a class on one side of our large study hall while students are attempting to study on the other side of the room. This situation is not conducive to the best results on the part of either group.

Recently it has become necessary to move the U.S. History class and a Spanish class into the Home Economics room, due to space limitations. These are not ideal situations.

The division of both the seventh and eighth grade classes into two groups each has, for the second consecutive year, added an extra subject to the teaching load of most of the teachers. This increased teaching load has meant an additional teaching load to me also, as, at the present time, I am teaching seven subjects and coaching girls' basketball as well as carrying on the administrative and supervisory duties as principal.

It is gratifying to note that all are accepting these conditions with little complaint as all are hopeful that such crowded conditions and full programs are only temporary and will be alleviated in the next year or two. The subject enrollments at the present time are as follows:

English 9	19	Biology	22
English 10	23	Physics	7
English 11	18	General Math.	12
English 12	13	Algebra I	8
Spanish I	10	Geometry	14
Spanish II	6	Home Economics I	5

Latin II	5	Home Economics II	4
U.S. History	17	Shorthand I	7
Problems of Democracy	12	Shorthand II	1
Typewriting I	22	Bookkeeping I	17
Typewriting II	17	Bookkeeping II	3
Art	18	Office Practice	5
Civics	19	Grade 7	23
General Science	16	Grade 7[1]	24
Consumer Education	15	Grade 8	23
		Grade 8[1]	24

Mr. Thomas C. Higgins resigned as teacher and coach in June. We were indeed fortunate to obtain Mr. Conrad Bayley for this position. Mr. Bayley has proven himself a capable teacher and coach. He has met with much success in coaching soccer in which sport our boys lost only one game and also in basketball in which we should have a most successful season.

Extra-Curricular Program

Good Government Day representative
Albert Allen

D.A.R. Good Citizen
Mary Ann Repeta

Annual Magazine Sales Drive
$1696

Boys' sports (Border League)
Basketball — tied for third
Baseball — third
Soccer — second

Girls' sports (Border League)
Basketball — first
Softball — tied for first
Volleyball — third

Our annual trip to Washington and New York with the Powers Institute seniors was again very enjoyable and successful. An added feature this past year was a guided tour of the United Nations buildings in New York City.

Our yearbook, "The Review", again received a second place rating, but with a higher point total, in competition with schools of its size and type in the Columbia Scholastic Press Association annual yearbook contest.

An increased interest on the part of the students in giving our weekly news broadcasts has been shown and these broadcasts have continued throughout the past year while school has been in session.

It was my pleasure to coach our girls' basketball team through an undefeated season last year. This won for them first place stand-

ings in the Border, Western Division of the King Philip, and Franklin Leagues. In the play-off with the Barre girls for the championship of the King Philip League our girls were defeated by one point.

Our school was awarded the Recorder Gazette Trophy for the smaller high schools of Franklin County because of the fine record of our athletic teams, especially the girls' teams, all around offering of seasonal sports for both boys and girls, school spirit and sportsmanship. This was presented at the Class Day exercises held in June.

Testing Program

Our annual year-end program of testing the students in all subjects for which tests with up-to-date standards are available was given in June. Most of these tests showed our classes to be doing as well as or better than is expected of high school classes in our section of the country. Records of the classes and of the individual students are kept on file and I would be most happy to discuss these test results with anyone interested.

It was a privilege during the spring to have our senior class selected by the Educational Testing Service to take part in a series of tests conducted for a "Nationwide Study of Secondary School Characteristics". These tests were conducted and administered according to methods used in the College Board Exams. The tests were shipped back to the Educational Testing Service for correction and interpretation.

These tests were given to the senior classes of 106 high schools throughout many of the 48 states of the United States. Our school was one of three in Massachusetts, the other two being Brookline and Gloucester. The tests were given to a total of 8357 students of the 12 grade.

In November, the results of the tests given throughout the country as well as the individual results of our fifteen seniors were forwarded to me. The results indicated, at least in the categories studied, that our senior class stood very high compared to other high schools in the country both as individual students and as a class.

The tests were administered in two parts. The first part was an Aptitude Test. The second part consisted of tests in English, Social Studies, and Science. In the Aptitude test our senior class had a score which showed that only 20% of the senior classes tested had a higher aptitude. In the test in English, our senior class had an average of nearly 21 items correct out of the 30 items, which showed that less than 2% of the 106 schools or only about 2 of the senior classes had a higher average than our students. In the field of social studies only 21% of the senior classes did better than ours which means that 79% did worse. In science, only 15% of the senior classes did work superior to ours. The results on an individual basis are just as enlightening and indicate that our students are being well

prepared in these subjects. These results are most gratifying to us and complete data are available to anyone who may be interested.

Commencement Program

Baccalaureate services were conducted at the Trinitarian Congregational Church on Sunday, June 13, 1954 by the Rev. Joseph W. Reeves whose address was entitled "A Good Name". Outdoor Class Day exercises were presented on the back steps of the high school before the entire student body and many parents and friends. The program was presented in a very capable and entertaining manner.

The graduation program was presented at the Town Hall on Friday, June 18, 1954 and was as follows:

Processional — *"War March of the Priests"* — MENDELSSOHN
Flag Salute and National Anthem
Invocation — REV. JOSEPH REEVES
Welcome by Class President — RICHARD PARSONS
Song — *"The Heavens Resound"* by BEETHOVEN — GLEE CLUB
Honor Addresses — *"Democracy at Home"* — RUTH LAPLANTE
"Democracy In Other Lands" — MARY ANN REPETA
Song — *"Beautiful Blue Danube"* — GLEE CLUB
Arranged from STRAUSS
Commencement Address —
"The End Is Superior to the Beginning" — ROBERT J. MUNCE
President of Suffolk University
Announcement of Awards — PRINCIPAL, GEORGE M. LEONARD
Presentation of Diplomas — SUPT., F. SUMNER TURNER
Class Song — *"Senior Song of 1932"* — words by MYRON JOHNSON
School Song — *"Our Old High"* — ALL STUDENTS AND ALUMNI
Benediction — REV. CHARLES SWITALSKI
Recessional — *"Pomp and Circumstance"* — ELGAR

Music under the direction of MRS. ALBERT RAYMOND
Accompanist — MRS. GEORGE LEONARD

CLASS ROLL

With Honor — Pro Merito

ALBERT EDWARD ALLEN, JR.
RUTH HELAINE LAPLANTE
RICHARD GROSVENOR PARSONS
MARY ANN REPETA
WILLIAM EDWARD TENNEY

BEATRICE ORILLA ANDERSON
MARITA OLIVE BASSETT
MARLENE ELIZABETH BILMON
THERESA ELAINE BURNOR
MARTHA ANN CHAMBERLIN
ROBERT ALLEN FISHER
PHYLLIS ANNETTE GRISWOLD
AUGUST CARL PAUL MELLO
LEONARD CHARLES STEBBINS
WILLIAM HENRY STRATTON
PETER ALLEN DESJARDINS

The following were the awards made at graduation time:

Becker College Key — for excellence in bookkeeping	RUTH LAPLANTE
D.A.R. Good Citizen Award	MARY ANN REPETA
Bausch & Lomb Award for excellence in science	RICHARD PARSONS
Pro Merito Certificate and Pins	ALBERT ALLEN, JR.
	RUTH LAPLANTE
	RICHARD PARSONS
	MARY ANN REPETA
	WILLIAM TENNEY
Readers Digest Awards	MARY ANN REPETA
	RUTH LAPLANTE

Financial

The following is a statement of the Northfield High School Funds for the year 1954:

NORTHFIELD HIGH SCHOOL — SCHOOL FUND
FINANCIAL STATEMENT
January 1, 1954 — December 31, 1954

Account Name	*Balance*	*Income*	*Expense*	*Balance*
Class of '54	$ 781.07	$ 1,349.17	$ 2,130.24	$ ———
Class of '55	345.15	1,175.46	628.17	892.44
Class of '56	229.08	357.17	140.64	445.61
Class of '57	69.26	6.40	———	75.66
Press Club	61.92	1,065.85	888.12	239.65
Glee Club	171.66	95.00	64.88	201.78
S.C. Fund	780.28	2,436.60	2,144.01	1,072.87
Totals	$ 2,438.42	$ 6,485.65	$ 5,996.06	$ 2,928.01

Northfield High School Athletic Fund

Balance on hand January 1, 1954		$ 12.18	
Receipts:			
Admissions to games	$ 477.00		
Donations	22.50		
		499.50	
Total			$ 511.68
Expenses:			
Officials	$ 155.00		
Cleaning uniforms	47.60		
Oranges	2.98		
Transportation	146.53		

Athletic Supplies	12.47	
Massachusetts Secondary School Principals Asso.	10.00	
		$ 374.58

Balance on hand December 31, 1954	$ 137.10
Bills outstanding	150.17

In conclusion, may I extend my personal thanks to all of the school officials, teachers, students and citizens of Northfield for their helpful cooperation during the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE M. LEONARD, Principal

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Report of Center School Principal

To the Superintendent of Schools:

I herewith submit my eighth annual report for the Center School.

Our building has been undergoing a period of renovation and now all of our classrooms are very attractive and bright with their new color schemes and white ceilings.

The great interest in our dental program under leadership of Miss Barbara Mankowsky, school nurse, and Miss Genevieve Ely of the state department, resulted in the return of seventy-five per cent of the dental examination requests sent home. Fifty-five per cent of the school enrollment brought in dental certificates. We are making an effort to continue enthusiasm in the program and hope to show added participants during the next school year knowing full-well that the value of the program is far greater than reports of resulting percentages.

Much sportsmanship and team-work were shown during our noon hours when games and sports suitable to the weather and playground conditions were carried on under the leadership of Mr. Hugh Hayden and Mrs. Dorothea Holt, with the rest of the teachers supervising and all grades as spectators.

National Education Week was observed as in the last two years by "Open House" preceded by supper in the lunchroom and a P. T. A. meeting. Parents and friends visited the classrooms also during regular school hours the rest of the week.

I have noted a tendency this past year of parents just "stopping by" for a few moments on their way to carry out their busy schedules. Mothers and Dads, please keep it up, as a personal contact reassuring us of your goodwill and cooperation builds up our morale in trying to give our best to your boy or girl.

Some group participation has been accomplished in the classroom by the interchanging or combining of programs or by the showing of educational films to two grades at the same time. One interesting film was taken at various times by Mr. Hayden depicting the year-round activities of our own boys and girls and was shown at the close of school in June.

The school window theme this Christmas was the legend of Santa Claus, very deftly planned and directed by Mrs. Jeanette Rich, art supervisor, and painstakingly carried out by pupils and teachers in all grades.

The only change in our teaching staff this year was the addition of Mrs. Rae Janson as teacher in the second grade to replace Mrs. Marion Nau who completed in June her duties as substitute in the second and third grades.

Again I wish to thank Mr. Turner, the School Committee, Miss McComb, my co-workers, and the parents and friends of our pupils for their co-operation and interest in Center School.

Respectfully submitted,

DOROTHY T. HERRICK

MUSIC SUPERVISOR'S REPORT

To the Superintendent of Schools and School Committee of the Town of Northfield:

I herewith submit my report as music supervisor.

During the past year music in Center School has gone on with enthusiasm on the part of pupils and teachers. Musical experience has been increased not only by singing, listening and theory, but also by the sharing of activities with other grades. Song stories and other informal presentations have been a means of correlating the art of singing with the spoken word. The introduction of song flutes stimulated the upper grades and has been helpful as accompaniment in the rooms sadly lacking pianos.

In the high school I feel music has been a factor in the general morale and tone of the school, both through informal singing of

school songs and by the more formal presentations of the Glee Club and selected groups of junior high students.

A successful joint Glee Club Concert with Powers Institute marked the mid-winter term. A large roster of boys and girls sang with obvious enjoyment a program of varied and worthwhile numbers heard in the Town Hall by a substantial audience. In June, the club sang at graduation and also presented its most ambitious operetta to date — a show based on the life of Stephen Foster with a larger cast and more intricate music than previous productions. High School music activities are hampered by lack of adequate meeting places. Nevertheless pupil enthusiasm continues apace. Again may I extend my sincere thanks to the staff and pupils of Northfield public schools for their continued loyalty and cooperation.

Respectfully submitted,

VIRGINIA B. RAYMOND

ART SUPERVISOR'S REPORT

To the Superintendent of Schools and School Committee of the Northfield Union:

We hereby submit this, our second report of the School Art Program.

Through the lower grades we have stressed the development of originality and the innate ability so natural to the younger child. It is our belief that there has been considerable improvement in the child's ability to graphically express his reaction to the world about him and an increase in confidence and respect for his own efforts.

We have increasingly encouraged the integration of the art work with the studies and activities of current interest to the pupils at each level of development.

This type of art work has been possible because of the fine cooperation of teachers in collaborating with the Supervisor.

The lower grades are increasingly using the easels to make large drawings in crayons, chalk, or paints.

In the upper grades and High School we are endeavoring to further develop the abilities of the individual. We feel, however, that more time per Art Period should be allotted to this age level and that the present amount is not adequate.

We are pleased to report that the results of the Be Kind to Animals Poster Contest were gratifying and many prizes won by the pupils competing.

The Center School decorated their windows for Christmas with the theme "Santa's Helpers". Each grade had a part in this project.

The High School pupils designed and executed the Christmas windows in the High School in a religious theme.

In conclusion we should like to express our appreciation for the fine cooperation of principals and teachers throughout the Union.

Respectfully submitted,

JEANETTE L. RICH

SCHOOL NURSE'S REPORT

To the Superintendent of Schools and the School Committee of the Town of Northfield.

I herewith submit my report as school nurse from January 1, 1954 through December 9, 1954.

The annual Pre-School clinic was conducted with Dr. F. Wilton Dean, as attending physician. Thirty-eight (38) children were seen at this time.

Beginning on June 21 and terminating June 23, sixty-six (66) youngsters attended the Well-Child Conference. Dr. Anthony Stone, of Athol, was the examining physician.

In December there was an epidemic of chicken pox. Parents are again urged to keep children at home when they might reasonably suspect them to be coming down with any contagious disease. All known cases should be reported to the chairman of the Board of Health and a certificate be obtained from a doctor before the child is eligible to re-enter school.

The usual weighing and measuring was completed in September, by Dr. Dean, school physician, assisted by Miss Mankowsky. Hearing and vision tests were completed in October.

This year, as usual, a dental program was carried out, with 235 inspection forms being distributed in grades 1 through seven, 75% were returned and 55% had work completed, which is an improvement over past records.

Respectfully submitted,

BARBARA MANKOWSKY, R.N.
(per MARIAN BILLINGS, R.N.)

To the Superintendent of Schools and School Committee of the Town of Northfield.

I herewith submit my report as school nurse from December 10, 1954 — December 31, 1954.

On December 14, Miss Ann McKinnon, physical therapist from the Department of Public Health conducted a clinic at Center School, with nine children attending.

Following is a summary of my work:

First aid given — 21
Children excluded from school — 3
Classroom visits — 6
Consultations with Teachers — 10
Advice given — 5
Field visits
Health supervision
Communicable disease — 4

In closing I wish to thank at this time all those who have been so kind and helpful to me, in beginning my new duties. I shall endeavor to do a good job.

Respectfully submitted,

MARIAN BILLINGS, R.N.

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SCHOOL PHYSICIAN'S REPORT

During 1954 physical examinations were given to all first graders, new students, and to the students in the fourth, seventh, and tenth grades, as well as to all students participating in athletic games. Most of the first graders were examined at the pre-school clinic in June at which time the parents were also present. The rest of the examinations were done in the fall. The general condition of the pupils was found to be good, the chief defect being carious teeth. It is pleasing to report that the health of the students seems to have improved during the past few years.

The pupils' eyes and ears were examined during the fall by the school nurse, who also weighs and measures each child. I feel that examination of the eyes and ears is most important as a child with defective eyesight or hearing is definitely handicapped and can't do his school wrok well unless these conditions are corrected.

During the year there were a number of minor accidents at school, chiefly in the playground or during games, and first aid was performed on these and a few were sent to the hospital for X-rays. The school insurance was helpful in these cases.

There was considerable examining of scholars for return to school after illness, especially during an epidemic of chicken pox.

A great deal of the success of the school health program depends on the school nurse, and it is with regret that we note the resignation of Miss Barbara Mankowsky as school nurse, for she has done an unusually fine job as school nurse.

Respectfully submitted,

F. WILTON DEAN, M.D.
School physician

Report on Athletic Field

Appropriation				$ 400.00
Expenditures:				
Labor:				
Hugh S. Hayden	$ 43.50			
George Mello	9.60			
William Janes	50.00			
John Ware	20.20			
James McComb	2.40			
		$ 125.70		
Supplies:				
Melvin Miller	$ 32.00			
Arthur Ward	39.50			
Greenfield Wallpaper & Paint	2.77			
Bill's Service Station	1.30			
J. L. Dunnell	2.00			
Hamilton Cregar	102.41			
		$ 179.98		
Repairs:				
Morgan Garage	$ 20.19			
Edward Bolton	71.36			
		$ 91.55		
Total Expenditures				$ 397.55
Balance				$ 2.77

Respectfully submitted,

Northfield School Committee

LOUIS ABBEY, Chairman
I. J. LAWRENCE, Secretary
ROY FISH

TOWN WARRANT

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

FRANKLIN, ss.

To either of the Constables of the Town of Northfield in the County of Franklin, *Greetings:*

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of said town, qualified to vote in elections and in town affairs, to meet at the Town Hall in said Town on February 7th, 1955 at ten o'clock in the A. M. then and there to bring in their votes by ballot for the following officers for the coming year:

Town Clerk, Town Treasurer for one year, one Selectman for three years, one Assessor for three years, Town Moderator for one year, one School Committee Member for three years, one Cemetery Commissioner for three years, two Library Trustees for three years, Tree Warden for one year, Tax Collector for one year, three Constables for one year, one Constable for one year, a resident of Northfield Farms, and one member of the Planning Board for five years. Pioneer Valley Regional School District Member for two years, and Pioneer Valley Regional School District Member for three years.

The polls will open at ten A. M. and close at eight P. M.

And you are directed also to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Northfield, qualified to vote in Town affairs, to meet in the Town Hall in said Town on Tuesday, February 8th, 1955, at seven o'clock in the evening, then and there to act on the following articles:

Article 1. To hear the reports of the several Town Officers, and act thereon.

Article 2. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time, in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1955, and to issue a note or notes thereof, payable within one year, and to renew such notes as may be given for a period

of less than one year, in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44, General Laws; any debt or debts incurred under this vote to be paid from the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1955.

Article 3. To see if the Town will empower the Selectmen to defend the Town in any suit brought against the Town, or act thereon.

Article 4. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of $150.00 for the use of the Library at Northfield Farms, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommends $150.00

Article 5. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of money to be used by the Tree Warden in the care and preservation of shade trees, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommends $600.00 Same

Article 6. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of money for lighting the streets, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommends $5,250.00
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Article 7. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of money for tools for highway work, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommends $200.00 200-

Article 8. To see if the Town will vote to fix the salary and compensation of all elective officers of the Town as provided by Section 108 of Chapter 41, General Laws, as amended, or act thereon.

Selectmen and Welfare Boards:

Chairman of Board	$325
Second Member	325
Third Member	325

Assessors:

First Member	$300
Second Member	300
Third Member	300

Town Moderator	$ 25
Treasurer	900
Tax Collector	750
Town Clerk	500

School Committee:

Chairman	$100
Second Member	100
Third Member	100

Article 9. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate such sums of money as shall be necessary for salaries and other Town charges, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommends:

Selectmen's & Welfare Board Salary	$1,200
Selectmen's expence a/c	250
Assessor's Salary	900
Assessor's expense a/c	225
Treasurer's Salary	900
Treasurer's expense a/c	400
Tax Collector's Salary	750
Tax Collector's exp. a/c	500
Town Clerk's Salary	500
Town Clerk's exp. a/c	80
School Committee Salary	300
Town Moderator's Salary	25
Town Accountant's Salary	950
Town Accountant's exp. a/c	75
Sealer Weights & Measures	150
Sealer's exp. a/c	25
Inspection of Animals	175
Dog Officer & exp.	150
Inspection of Meat & Slaughtering	50
Public Health	1,300
Schools	99,900
Fire Department	3,000
Maintenance Water Holes	400
P. V. Regional School Operating Budget	1,118.80
Interest	649.13
Alexander Hall	$ 250
Old Age Assistance	38,000
Aid to Dependent Children	5,000
General Relief	5,000
Disability Assistance	2,500
Public Welfare Adm.	2,500
Soldiers' Relief	3,500
Machinery Maintenance acct. (Tr. from Rd. Mach. Fd.)	5,500
Bridges	3,000
Election & Registrations	950
Fire & Casualty Ins.	4,000
Interest Account	200
Town Hall Care	4,800
Legal Expense	250
Damages	200
Town Clock & Fountain	150
Town Reports & Val. List	1,700
Snow Removal	5,500
Public Safety	25
Protection Tax Title Property	25
Highway Bounds, Surveys and Plans	250
Wire Inspector & expense	50
Fire Station Bonds Maturing Debt	3,000
Interest	1,404

Article 10. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of $5300.00 for the operation of the Dickinson Memorial Library, this sum to include the fines collected, and the dog tax, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommends $5,300

Article 11. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of money to be used in the extermination of the Gypsy Moth, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommend $800.00

Article 12. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of money to be used by the Gypsy Moth Agent for the removal of dead wood and spraying of the Town Elms, to combat Dutch Elm disease, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommend $600.00

Article 13. To see if the Town will authorize the Assessors to appoint one of their members as Clerk of the Board, and that the salary be $500.00 in accordance with Section 4A, Chapter 41, General Laws, and raise and appropriate money for same.

The Finance Committee recommend $500.00

Article 14. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of money for the salary of a Public Health Nurse, and substitute nurse, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommend $2750.00

Article 15. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of money for the Public Health Nurse's expense account, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommend $75.00

Article 16. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of money for the expense of the Public Health Nurse's car, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommend $500.00

Article 17. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $50.00 to be expended by the American Legion for Veterans' Markers, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommend $50.00

Article 18. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of money for the care and preservation of cemeteries, or take any vote or votes thereto.

The Finance Committee recommend $1500.00 1790.

Article 19. To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to enter into contract with the Board of Public Works, Division of Highways, for repair and improvement of roads and highways exclusive of state highways, and raise and appropriate or transfer from unappropriated, available funds in the treasury, a sum of money for Chapter 81 Highways, or take any action in relation thereto.

The Finance Committee recommend to raise and appropriate $4,875.00 and to transfer $17,875.00 from unappropriated available funds.

Article 20. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from unappropriated, available funds in the treasury, a sum of money for Chapter 90 Highway construction, or take any action in relation thereto.

The Finance Committee recommend to raise and appropriate $2,000.00 and to transfer $6,000.00 from unappropriated available funds. 3000 - 9000

Article 21. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from unappropriated, available funds in the treasury, a sum of money for Chapter 90 maintenance, or take any action in relation thereto.

The Finance Committee recommend to raise and appropriate $1,000.00 and to transfer $2,000.00 from unappropriated available funds.

Article 22. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from unappropriated, available funds in the treasury, the sum of $2000.00 for improvement on East Street, or take any action thereon.

The Finance Committee recommend $2,000.00

Article 23. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of money to be used in putting up railing, or take any vote or votes in relation thereto.

The Finance Committee recommend $900.00

Article 24. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of money to repair sidewalks, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommend $1000.00

Article 25. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of money for Constables' pay and expense, or take any vote or votes in relation thereto.

The Finance Committee recommend $750.00

Article 26. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of money for Constable's uniforms, or take any vote or votes in relation thereto.

The Finance Committee recommend $200.00 100

Article 27. To see if the Town will transfer from unappropriated, available funds in the treasury, any sum or

sums of money to purchase road machinery, or take any vote or votes in relation thereto.

The Finance Committee recommend the transfer of $7750.00 from unappropriated available funds in the treasury.

Article 28. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to be expended under the direction of the Northfield Post of the American Legion and the Northfield Post of the Veterans of Foreign Wars for the purpose of celebrating Memorial Day, or pass any vote or votes in relation thereto.

The Finance Committee recommend $275.00

Article 29. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of money for hydrant service for sixteen hydrants to be paid to the Northfield Water Co. for adequate water to supply the hydrants for fire protection, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommend $400.00

Article 30. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of $200.00 to be used to purchase fish to be liberated in streams in the Town of Northfield, under the supervision of the Selectmen, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommend $200.00

Article 31. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of money to install a street light on Woodruff Way (formerly Linden Ave.) near the residence of the Mayberry family, and the junction of Linden St. south, or take any vote or votes in relation thereto.

The Finance Committee recommend $24.00

Article 32. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to erect and maintain three street lights on Old Turnpike Road and Commonwealth Avenue, or take any vote or votes in relation thereto.

The Finance Committee recommend $72.00

Article 33. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of money to meet foreclosure cost on tax titles, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommend $300.00

Article 34. To see if the Town will vote to accept the sum of $200.00 from Warena P. Miller as a trust fund, the interest thereof payable to the Treasurer, to be used for perpetual care of her lot in West Northfield Cemetery.

Article 35. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of money for the care of the playground and athletic field, this sum to be expended under the supervision of the School Committee, or take any vote or votes in relation thereto.

The Finance Committee recommend $200.00 for maintenance and $200.00 for improvement.

Article 36. To hear the report of the War Memorial Committee and take any vote or votes thereon.

Article 37. To hear the report of the Fire House Building Committee and take any vote or votes thereon.

Article 38. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of money to maintain state-aided vocational education in accordance with the provisions of Section 14 of Chapter 74, General Laws, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommend $700.00

Article 39. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of money for highway work, to be expended under the direction of the Selectmen, or take any vote or votes in relation thereto.

The Finance Committee recommend $2,000.00.

Article 40. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of money to be used in making repairs on discontinued school buildings, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommend $500.00 50.

Article 41. To see if the Town will vote to discontinue as Town Highway the street known as Spring Street from Forest Avenue to Linden Avenue on Mountain Park, accepted by the Town under Article 22 of the Warrant for Annual Town Meeting, Feb. 7, 1927.

Article 42. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to dispose of discontinued School buildings, or take any vote or votes in relation thereto.

Article 43. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of money for the care and maintenance and improvement of the fire station and town garage, or take any vote or votes in relation thereto.

The Finance Committee recommend $1500.00 1000

Article 44. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $1000 for hose and a portable volume pump for combined use of the Fire Department and Highway Department, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommend $1,000.00

Article 45. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of money for Civil Defense purposes, the same to be expended under the direction of the Selectmen and the Civil Defense Committee, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommend $100.00 —

Article 46. To see if the Town will vote to allow the Selectmen to dispose of the furnaces in the Pine St. School, or act thereon.

Article 47. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of $500 to employ a part time sanitarian as recommended by the State District Health Officer.

The Finance Committee recommend no appropriation.

Article 48. To see if the Town will vote to accept Highland Circuit as a public highway, or pass any vote or votes in relation thereto.

Article 49. To see if the Town will vote to instruct the Moderator to appoint a committee of three, including one Selectman and one Assessor, to study the advisability of changing the date of the Annual Town Meeting.

Article 50. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate or transfer a sum of money for a reserve fund for the current year, or take any vote or votes in relation thereto.

The Finance Committee recommend that $5,000 be transferred from Overlay Reserve.

Article 51. To see if the Town will vote to transfer a sum of money from Surplus Revenue, to be used by the Assessors in determining the 1955 Tax Rate, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommend that $20,000 be transferred from Surplus Revenue.

And you are directed to serve this Warrant by posting up attested copies thereof at the Post Offices in Northfield, East Northfield, West Northfield, at the Schoolhouse in District No. 6 and the Tenney Farms Filling Station at Northfield Farms in said Town, seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting.

Hereof fail not, and make due return of this Warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk, at the time and place of meeting, as aforesaid.

Given under our hands this 24th day of January in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and fifty-five.

WILLIAM M. MARSHALL,
ROBERT P. BARNES,
ELLWYN E. MILLER,
Selectmen of Northfield.

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TOWN OFFICERS

Moderator

Edgar J. Livingston

Town Clerk

Horace F. Field

Town Treasurer

Charles F. Slate

Selectmen

William M. Marshall, Chmn.	Term Expires February 1956
Robert P. Barnes	Term Expires February 1957
Wallace E. Stange	Term Expires February 1958

Assessors

Clifford A. Field, Chmn.	Term Expires February 1956
Winthrop E. Spencer	Term Expires February 1957
Lee H. Sheldon	Term Expires February 1958

Tax Collector

Roy J. Fish	Term Expires February 1956

School Committee

Irving J. Lawrence	Term Expires February 1956
Roy J. Fish, Chmn.	Term Expires February 1957
Evelyn U. True	Term Expires February 1958

Library Trustees

Louise M. Reeves	Term Expires February 1956
Luman A. Barber	Term Expires February 1956
Lillian G. Wells	Term Expires February 1957
Winthrop W. Sanderson	Term Expires February 1957
Jean P. Hathaway	Term Expires February 1958
Horace Henry Morse	Term Expires February 1958

Cemetery Commissioners

David G. Quinn	Term Expires February 1956
Murray M. Hammond	Term Expires February 1957
Carlton W. Holton	Term Expires February 1958

Tree Warden

Kenneth L. Miller	Term Expires February 1956

Constables

Paul E. Chamberlin	Term Expires February 1956
Joseph G. Morgan	Term Expires February 1956
Niles E. Stone	Term Expires February 1956
Murray M. Hammond—Farms Resident	Term Expires February 1956

Planning Board

Fred A. Holton	Term Expires February 1956
F. Wilton Dean	Term Expires February 1957
George M. Leonard	Term Expires February 1958
L. Percy Goodspeed	Term Expires February 1959
Gordon C. Buffum	Term Expires February 1960

Pioneer Valley Regional School District Committee

Irving J. Lawrence	Term Expires February 1956
Robert P. Barnes	Term Expires February 1957
Walla M. Stearns	Term Expires February 1958

Accountant

Helen M. Stearns — Term Expires July 1958

Chief of Fire Department

Floyd M. Dunnell, Jr. — Term Expires 1956

Forest Fire Warden

Dwight P. Stearns — Term Expires 1956

Deputy Fire Wardens for 1955

Floyd M. Dunnell, Jr.
Philip Mann, Jr.
Howard Williams
Gilbert Stacy
Winthrop W. Sanderson

Superintendent of Roads

Kenneth L. Miller — Term Expires April 1956

Gypsy Moth Agent

Joseph S. Bilmon — Term Expires 1956

Public Weighers for 1955

F. Myron Dunnell
Fred B. Kelley
George O. Dunnell
Frank F. Kelley
Floyd M. Dunnell, Jr.
Clarence Spaulding
Leon H. Dunnell
Deane Williams
Roy A. Barrows

Inspector of Meat and Slaughtering for 1955

Leroy R. Barnes

Sealer of Weights and Measures for 1955

Warren A. Randall

Cattle Inspector

Gilbert S. Hammond — Term Expires April 1956

Fence Viewers for 1955

Luckey O. Clapp
Eugene F. Hammond
Carlton W. Holton
Laurence M. Hammond

Surveyors of Wood and Timber for 1955

James E. Dresser
Fred I. Bolton

Field Drivers for 1955

Edward M. Powell, Jr.
Robert L. Gibson

Dog Officer for 1955

Robert L. Gibson

Pound Keeper for 1955

Robert L. Gibson

Registrars of Voters

Laurence M. Hammond, Chmn.	Term Expires 1956
Edward F. Hurley	Term Expires 1957
Charles D. Streeter	Term Expires 1958

Horace F. Field — Clerk

Finance Committee

Roger M. Greenwood, Chmn.	Term Expires February 1956
Norman F. Fowler	Term Expires February 1956
Fred I. Bolton	Term Expires February 1957
George W. Carr	Term Expires February 1957
Mildred E. Addison	Term Expires February 1958
Mark B. Aldrich	Term Expires February 1958

Forest Warden for 1955

Joseph S. Bilmon

Election Officers for 1955

James R. Dale
Katherine E. Callaghan
Flora C. Abbey
Edna Bistrek
Helen M. Stearns
Ralph B. Holton
Frank W. Anderson
Daisy R. Holton

Substitute Election Officers for 1955

Willis K. Parker
Harrison G. Stacy
Helen Greene
Mary G. Parker

SELECTMEN'S REPORT

The Selectmen announce the completion of the following projects as authorized by the 1955 Annual Town Meeting and Special Town Meetings of June 21st.

The purchase of a front end loader and used motor grader as authorized under Article 27 has speeded up and increased the efficiency of the Highway Dept. Much more has been done this year than would have been possible without this equipment. A new Ford truck was purchased to replace the old one as authorized by vote in the Special Town Meeting of June 21, 1955. A chain saw purchased for the Highway Department and Tree Warden has had a great deal of service and helped to complete much needed tree work.

The flash flood of June 21, 1955, necessitated that Chapter 81 Maintenance work was mostly confined to repairing the storm damage which was severest on Gulf Road and Wright Hill Road. The Highway Department deserves our appreciation for putting these roads in passable condition with a minimum of delay. The State contributed $8,000 toward the expense of repairing the storm damage. This was a big help but was not enough to put the roads back in their original condition.

This year we are asking for a 50% increase in Chapter 90 construction funds in order to surface as much of the Gulf Road Hill as possible to prevent a recurrence of the flood damage. This means the work would start at Maple St. and go as far as possible with the funds allowed. This project has been approved by State and County.

Drainage and filling and grading have been completed on East Street. Surface treatment should be completed in 1956.

The Perambulation of the Town Bounds as required by Chapter 42, Section 2 of the General Laws was started in early spring and completed late in December. All bounds are in place except No. 10 bound stone between Northfield and Gill and No. 2 bound stone between Northfield and Erving. These bounds must be surveyed and stones set as required by law, the cost to be divided equally between the adjoining Towns.

The following is an accounting of Chapter 81 expenditures for 1955.

1.	Warwick Avenue	$ 182.92
2.	Warwick Road	266.70
3.	Commonwealth Avenue	116.35
4.	Gulf or Erving Road	4,295.17
5.	Murdock Hill Road	449.79

6.	Swamp Road	0.00
7.	Orange Road	665.41
8.	Mt. Hermon Station Road	335.88
9.	East Northfield Br. Road	0.00
10.	East Northfield Road	542.45
11.	Pine Street	24.00
12.	Winchester Road	957.59
13.	Pearson Road	48.95
14.	Wanamaker Road	0.00
15.	Ashuelot Road	103.95
16.	Moody Street	46.24
17.	Birnam Road	217.68
18.	Holton Street	0.00
19.	Highland Avenue	61.20
20.	Caldwell Road	455.54
21.	River Road	275.27
22.	Randall Road	152.03
23.	Vernon Road	64.18
24.	Parker Street	624.25
25.	Great Meadow Road	438.61
26.	Meadow Street	316.72
27.	Bridge Street	24.00
28.	Mill Street	0.00
29.	School Street	265.60
30.	St. Mary Street	0.00
31.	Alexander Hill or Ober Mt. Road	897.00
32.	Pratt Meadow Road	0.00
33.	Maple Street	656.44
34.	Beers Plain Road	1,471.93
35.	New Road	219.96
36.	Old Wendell Road	1,660.28
37.	Lyman Road	75.05
38.	Lucky Clapp Road	110.06
39.	So. Mountain Road	2,863.02
40.	Fisher Road	16.00
41.	Four Mile Brook Road	481.69
42.	Gill Road	0.00
43.	Pine Meadow Road	832.85
44.	Branch Roads (2)	316.80
45.	Now State Highway	0.00
46.	Cross Road	0.00
47.	East Street	0.00
48.	Northfield Farm Road	165.26
49.	Sturbridge Road	0.00
50.	Dickinson Street	16.00
51.	Bennett Brook Road	395.71
52.	Glenwood Avenue	89.28

53.	Munn's Ferry Road	93.20
54.	Myrtle Street	27.20
55.	North Lane	63.20
56.	Aldrich Street	0.00
57.	Howard Street	0.00
58.	Prospect Hill Road	0.00
59.	Slate Road	17.20
60.	Jewett Road	0.00
61.	Gerrish Road	41.60
62.	South Mt. Br. Road	112.35
63.	Linden Avenue	64.47
64.	Adams Road	25.20
65.	Holly Avenue	35.53
66.	Woodruff Road	46.40
67.	Old Ferry Road	25.20
		$22,749.36

Allotments

State $17,875.00 Town $4,875.00 Total $22,750.00

A full report of the several departments will be found on the following pages.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM M. MARSHALL, Chairman
ROBERT P. BARNES
WALLACE E. STANGE

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

It is extremely important that the Vital Statistics record be complete and correct. If any errors or omissions are discovered the Clerk will deem it a favor to have them reported at once so that corrections may be made.

As required by Chapter 46, Section 15, General Laws of Massachusetts:

Notice is hereby given that the Town Clerk will furnish blanks for returns of births to parents, householders, physicians, and registered hospital officers applying for the same.

Births Recorded in 1955

Date	*Name*	*Parents*
January		
7	Plotczyk, Linda Louise	Valentine P. and Esther J.
8	Gibson, Susan Alice	Robert L. and Verna R.
21	Mroczek, Dianne Edna	John A. and Erma I.
23	Barber, Julie	Julian S. and Helen V.
25	Wood, Robert Alan	Earl J. and Marjorie G.
28	Tillson, Shauna Ann	Raymond A. and Madgemarie P.
February		
2	Hutchins, Gay Louisa	Russell C. and Joyce H.
19	Burnor, Michael Harold	Raymond F. and Patricia E.
March		
11	Scholar, Samuel Alfred	John and Flora M.
17	Potter, Donna Lee	William W. and Phyllis R.
25	Babbitt, Infant (Stillborn—F.)	Elwood D. and Emily S.
April		
9	Livingstone, Betty Ann	Robert D. and Dorothy L.
12	Hudson, Russell Gardiner	Gardiner R. and Mildred E.
27	Silvonic, Gary Francis	Raymond and Norma E.
May		
12	Savage, Jerry Victor	Franklin D. and Sandra L.
24	Spencer, Douglas Albert	Ross L., Jr., and Carolyn M.
31	Morgan, Douglas Edward	James H. and Dorothy L.
June		
17	Johnson, Charles William	Charles H., Jr., and Dorena M.
25	Closson, Jeanne Alice	Eugene E. and Mildred I.
27	Thompson, Cynthia Gail	Robert T. and Florence A.
July		
4	Butler, Bruce Michael	William O. and Ruth J.
18	Black, Wanda Pearl	John H. and Sacca L.
August		
8	Shearer, Ruth Lynne	Robert B. and Margaret A.
September		
12	Forrest, David John	William L. and Marguerite V.
28	Randall, Nancy Ann	Lawrence H. and Lois M.
October		
4	Andrew, James Philip	William G. and Barbara J.
13	Williams, Wendy Leigh	Earl R. and Edith E.
21	Call, Deborah Ann	Howard B. and Theresa E.

Date	*Name*	*Parents*
November		
1	Billings, Donald Malcolm	Wayne R. and Gloria M.
	LaForce, Kathy Camille	Robert A. and Joyce C.
5	Remillard, Jeffrey Robert	Robert G. and Mary A.
8	Winship, Elaine Marie	Ronald W. and Joan A.
26	Rockwell, Daniel Frank	Frank J. and Theresa A.
29	Welch, George Henry	George C. and Anita L.
December		
6	Gorzocoski, Joy Marie	Stanley P. and Helen E.
10	Stone, Carl James, Jr.	Carl J. and Gloria J.
17	Taylor, Robin Dee	Maurice W. and Elisabeth H.

Marriages Recorded in 1955

Date	*Name*	*Residence*	*Place of Marriage*
January			
22	Wilder, Perry Marshall	Colrain, Mass.	
	Huber, Evelyn June Johnson	Northfield	Northfield
February			
10	McCullaugh, Robert Carlton	Hinsdale, N. H.	
	Graves, Mary Katherine Madau	Brattleboro, Vt.	Northfield
13	Barnes, Leslie Harold	Orange, Mass.	
	Carpenter, Madeline Lucille	Northfield	Northfield
19	Thayer, Donald Leroy	Athol, Mass.	
	Moore, Ruth Josephine	Northfield	Athol, Mass.
26	Shatney, Clarence P., Jr.	Brattleboro, Vt.	
	Black, Louise F.	Northfield	Brattleboro, Vt.
March			
19	Rawson, Joseph Silas	Northfield	
	Edelle, Ethel Alice Reilly	Melrose, Mass.	Northfield
26	Whitney, Robert Eugene	Northfield	
	Haselton, Editha Mae	Greenfield, Mass.	Greenfield, Mass.

Date	*Name*	*Residence*	*Place of Marriage*
June			
25—	Zika, Bohumil	Northfield	
	Potts, Leta May Severance	Greenfield, Mass.	
			Greenfield, Mass.
July			
2—	Burdick, Ralph Edward	Griswoldville, Mass.	
	Andrew, Christine Ruth	Northfield	
			Northfield
17—	Bashaw, David Leon	Charlestown, N. H.	
	Clark, Annette Ernestine	Northfield	
			Northfield
August			
3—	McVeigh, Frederick Samuel	Gill, Mass.	
	Adams, Phyllis Berrian	Northfield	
			Gill, Mass.
13—	Fortier, Edward Lewis	Three Rivers, Mass.	
	Wood, Alice Ethel	Northfield	
			Northfield
15—	Studer, Arnold	Northfield Farms	
	Smead, Mabel Rose Wilcox	Northfield Farms	
			Northfield
25—	Lamothe, Paul Armand	Newport, N. H.	
	Kirk, Anne Howard	Keene, N. H.	
			Northfield
September			
2—	Herzig, Herman D.	Colrain, Mass.	
	Clark, Ethel E.	Buckland, Mass.	
			Northfield
2—	Leyden, John Thomas	Flushing, N. Y.	
	Bolton, Beverly Ann	Northfield	
			Ulm, Wuerttemberg, Germany
3—	Hicks, Gerald Charles	West Northfield	
	Holden, Evelyn Louise	Gill, Mass.	
			Bernardston, Mass.
10—	Snow, Donald Turnbull	Springfield, Mass.	
	Jewett, Doris Drescher	Northfield	
			Northfield
17—	Taylor, Maurice Walter	Brattleboro, Vt.	
	Holton, Elizabeth Virginia	Northfield	
			Northfield
October			
14—	Knapp, Alvah Lucius	Keene, N. H.	
	Chaffee, Pauline Edith Hewins	Keene, N. H.	
			Northfield

Date	Name	Residence	Place of Marriage
15—	Ford, John Joseph	Springfield, Mass.	
	Gorzocoski, Olga	Northfield	
			Northfield
15—	Brown, Charles E.	Medford, Mass.	
	Hale, Carolyn L.	Lynn, Mass.	
			Northfield
18—	Welch, George Carlos	South Rygate, Vt.	
	Cowan, Anita Louise	No. Haverhill, Vt.	
			Northfield
21—	Kenney, Ransom Chester	Northfield	
	Moore, Bonita Lorraine	Turners Falls, Mass.	
November			Keene, N. H.
19—	Walker, William Cottle, Jr.	Northfield	
	Cregar, Barbara Ann	Northfield	
			Northfield
21—	Stafford, David Tew	Scotia, N. Y.	
	Stevens, Elizabeth Ann	Rexford, N. Y.	
			Northfield
December			
16—	Root, Warren Nelson	Bernardston, Mass.	
	Sheldon, Ruth Elizabeth	Northfield	
			Northfield
22—	Ryder, James Donald	Northfield	
	Renfrew, Ellen Louise	Greenfield, Mass.	
			Greenfield, Mass.
27—	Barrows, Ralph Edward	Northfield	
	Rischitelli, Barbara Ann	Southbridge, Mass.	
			Southbridge, Mass.

Deaths Recorded in 1955

Date	Name	Age - Years	Months	Days
January				
5—	Ross, Joseph Edward	77	9	17
16—	Leighton, Helen E. Donaldson	68	8	0
February				
10—	Harrison, Richard	69	11	30
28—	Williams, Catherine Herron	46	0	19

Date	*Name*	*Age - Years*	*Months*	*Days*
March				
9	DesJardins, Wesley H.	76	7	5
12	Holton, Julia Hausman	82	7	20
13	Griggs, Lucy Wilkins	72	6	25
25	Babbitt, Infant	—	—	—
April				
4	Day, Emily Baylis	95	10	24
7	Turner, Edith M. Gilman	71	10	19
15	Honold, Johanna K.	78	0	21
16	Clark, Albert	84	7	2
27	Hennion, Leah E.	61	1	1
May				
8	Haskell, Carrie Josephine Scoville	73	3	12
13	Bolton, Arthur	71		
20	Doolittle, Oler Densmore	78	7	21
June				
4	Morgan, Douglas Edward	—	—	5
21	Dollard, Bridget Margaret Callaghan	85	0	5
29	Seeley, Herbert Falkland	65	2	10
July				
6	Repeta, Aniela Smolen	66	3	21
23	Pratt, Clara Houghton	84	10	2
August				
6	Goetz, Joseph	83	5	3
21	Everett, George Swazey	82	2	17
September				
22	True, Annie S.	89	1	10
27	Skilton, Helen Scranton	64	10	20
October				
7	Shearer, Rollin Erving	76	9	6
November				
7	Black, James J.	81	5	20
16	Sutherland, Sinclair MacLean	71	1	28
27	Urgielewicz, Benigna Anna Szestowicki	72	3	14
29	Doolittle, Fred Hartwell	81	5	8
December				
3	Irish, Fred Atwood	80	2	2
18	Cook, Iantha	99	11	16
25	Cooper, Lawrence Harris	69	9	6

Dogs Licensed in 1955

Male Dogs	175
Female	20
Female (Spayed)	91
Special Kennel ($10)	9
	295

Sporting Licenses Issued in 1955

Resident Fishing	79
Resident Hunting	96
Resident Sporting	80
Resident Minor Fishing	28
Resident Women's Fishing	39
Special Non-Resident Fishing	10
Non-Resident Fishing	17
Non-Resident Minor Fishing	1
Resident Alien Fishing	1
Resident Trapping	0
Non-Resident Hunting	9
Non-Resident Sporting	0
Resident Sporting (Free)	28
Duplicate	2
Old Age Fishing	2
	392

Other Licenses and Permits Issued in 1955

Alcohol	2
Auctioneer	2
Auctioneer (Temporary)	1
Common Victualer	7
Gasoline	23
Innkeeper	2
Junk	1
Milk	6
Oleomargarine	3
Pistol	22
	69

Copy of the Votes taken at the Annual Election held in Northfield, Mass., February 7, 1955

The polls were opened at ten o'clock A.M., and closed at eight o'clock P.M.

Four hundred and thirty-eight ballots were cast for Town Officers with the following results:

Town Clerk, 1 year		
Josephine S. Haskell	Four hundred fourteen	414
Blanks	Twenty-four	24
Town Treasurer, 1 year		
Charles F. Slate	Four hundred sixteen	416
Blanks	Twenty-two	22
Selectman, 3 years		
Wallace E. Stange	Three hundred seventy-four	374
E. Parker	One	1
Blanks	Sixty-three	63
Assessor, 3 years		
Lee H. Sheldon	Three hundred ninety-eight	398
Blanks	Forty	40
Moderator, 1 year		
Edgar J. Livingston	Three hundred ninety	390
Blanks	Forty-eight	48
School Committee, 3 years		
Evelyn U. True	Three hundred fifty-four	354
George Dunnell	One	1
Blanks	Eighty-three	83
Cemetery Commissioner, 3 years		
Carlton W. Holton	Three hundred ninety-nine	399
Blanks	Thirty-nine	39
Library Trustees, 3 years		
Horace Henry Morse	Three hundred twenty-eight	328
Jean P. Hatheway	Two hundred sixty-five	265
Elizabeth M. Spencer	One hundred seventy-five	175
G. Leavis	One	1
Blanks	One hundred seven	107
Tree Warden, 1 year		
Orrin A. Carey	One hundred seventy-one	171
Kenneth L. Miller	Three hundred forty-eight	348
Blanks	Nineteen	19
Tax Collector, 1 year		
Roy J. Fish	Three hundred ninety-three	393
Blanks	Forty-five	45
Constables, 1 year		
Paul E. Chamberlin	Four hundred three	403
Joseph G. Morgan	Three hundred ninety-four	394
Niles E. Stone	Four hundred three	403
Tom Russell, Jr.	One	1
Blanks	One hundred thirteen	113

Constable, resident Northfield Farms, 1 year		
Murray M. Hammond	Four hundred five	405
Blanks	Thirty-three	33
Planning Board, 5 years		
Gordon C. Buffum	Three hundred ninety-six	396
Blanks	Forty-two	42
Pioneer Valley Regional School District Committee, 3 years		
Walla M. Stearns	Three hundred sixty-five	365
P. Porter	One	1
Blanks	Seventy-two	72
Pioneer Valley Regional School District Committee, 2 years		
Robert P. Barnes	Three hundred sixty-three	363
Ellwyn E. Miller	One	1
G. O. Dunnell	One	1
Blanks	Seventy-three	73

After the announcement of the results, the meeting was closed to be reopened on Tuesday, February 8, 1955 at 7 o'clock in accordance with the foregoing warrant.

Town Clerk.

Copy of the Votes taken February 8, 1955 on the Articles in Warrant for the Annual Town Meeting.

Article 1. As it was stated by the Moderator that no action need be taken on the reports as printed in the Town Report, no action was taken under this Article.

Article 2. Voted: To authorize the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time, in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1955, and to issue a note or notes thereof, payable within one year, and to renew such notes as may be given for a period of less than one year, in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44, General Laws; any debt or debts incurred under this vote to be paid from the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1955.

Article 3. Voted: To empower the Selectmen to defend the Town in any suit brought against the Town.

Article 4. Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of $150.00 for the use of the Library at Northfield Farms.

Article 5. Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of $600.00 to be used by the Tree Warden in the care and preservation of shade trees.

Article 6. Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of $5,250.00 for lighting the streets.

Article 7. Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of $200.00 to be used for tools for highway work.

Article 8. Voted: To fix the salary and compensation of all elected officers of the Town as provided by Section 108 of Chapter 41, General Laws, as amended, as follows:

Selectmen and Welfare Boards:

Chairman of the Board	$325.	$75.	Town Moderator	$ 25.
Second Member	325.	75.	Treasurer	900.
Third Member	325.	75.	Tax Collector	750.
			Town Clerk	500.

Assessors:		School Committee:	
First Member	$300.	Chairman	100.
Second Member	300.	Second Member	100.
Third Member	300.	Third Member	100.

Article 9. Voted: To raise and appropriate the following sums of money necessary for salaries and other Town charges:

Selectmen's & Welfare Board Salary	$ 1,200.	Alexander Hall	250.
Selectmen's Expense a/c	250.	Old Age Assistance	38,000.
Assessors' Salary	900.	Aid to Dependent Children	5,000.
Assessors' Expense a/c	225.	General Relief	55,000.
Tax Collector's Salary	750.	Disability Assistance	2,500.
Tax Collector's Expense a/c	500.	Machinery Maintenance Acct. (Tr. from Rd. Mach. Fund)	5,500.
Town Clerk's Salary	500.	Public Welfare Administration	2,500.
Town Clerk's Expense a/c	80.	Soldiers' Relief	3,500.
School Committee Salary	300.	Bridges	3,000.
Town Moderator's Salary	25.	Elections & Registrations	950.
Town Accountant's Salary	950.	Fire & Casualty Ins.	4,000.
Town Accountant's Expense a/c	75.	Interest Account	200.
Sealer Weights & Measures	150.	Town Hall Care* (see vote)	4,800.
Sealer's Expense a/c	25.	Legal Expenses	250.
Inspection of Animals	175.	Damages	200.
		Town Clock & Fountain	150.

Dog Officer & Exp.	150.
Inspection Meat & Slaughtering	50.
Public Health	1,300.
Schools	99,900.
Fire Department	3,000.
Maintenance Water Holes	400.
P.V. Regional School Operating Budget	1,118.80
Interest	649.13
Treasurer's Salary	900.
Treasurer's Expense a/c	400.
Town Reports & Val. Lists	1,700.
Snow Removal	5,500.
Public Safety	25.
Protection Tax Title Property	25.
Highway Bnds., Surveys & Plans	250.
Wire Inspector & Exp.	50.
Fire Station Bonds, Maturing Debt	3,000.
Interest	1,401.

*Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of $4800.00 for Town Hall Care and that the Selectmen be authorized to purchase new draperies for the windows.

Article 10. Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of $5,300.00 for the operation of Dickinson Memorial Library, this sum to include the fines collected and the dog tax.

Article 11. Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of $800.00 to be used in the extermination of the Gypsy Moth.

Article 12. Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of $600.00 to be used by the Gypsy Moth Agent for the removal of dead wood and spraying the Town Elms, to combat Dutch Elm disease.

Article 13. Voted: To authorize the Assessors to appoint one of their members as Clerk of the Board, and that the salary be $500.00 in accordance with Section 4A, Chapter 41, General Laws, and to raise and appropriate $500.00 for the same.

Article 14. Voted: That the Town raise and appropriate the sum of $2,750.00 for the salary of a Public Health Nurse and substitute nurse.

Article 15. Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of $75.00 for the Public Health Nurse's Expense account.

Article 16. Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of $500.00 for the expense of the Public Health Nurse's car.

Article 17. Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of $50.00 to be expended by the American Legion for Veterans' markers.

Article 18. Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of $1,500.00 for the care and preservation of cemeteries.

Article 19. Voted: To authorize the Selectmen to enter into contract with the Board of Public Works, Division of Highways, for repair and improvement of roads and highways, exclusive of state highways, and raise and appropriate the sum of $4,875.00 to meet the Town's share of the cost of Chapter 81 highway repairs and im-

provements, and the sum of $17,875.00 to be transferred from unappropriated, available funds in the treasury to meet the state's share of the cost of the work, the reimbursement for the state to be restored upon its receipt to the unappropriated, available funds in the treasury.

Article 20. Voted: That the Town raise and appropriate the sum of $2,000.00 to meet the Town's share of Chapter 90 highway construction, and that in addition the sum of $6,000.00 be transferred from unappropriated, available funds in the treasury to meet the state and county's share of the cost of the work, the reimbursement from the state and county to be restored upon its receipt to the unappropriated, available funds in the treasury. This appropriation to be used on the Gulf Road.

Article 21. Voted: That the Town raise and appropriate the sum of $1,000.00 to meet the Town's share of Chapter 90 highway maintenance, and in addition the sum of $2,000.00 to be transferred from unappropriated, available funds in the treasury to meet the state and county's share of the cost of the work, the reimbursement from the state and county to be restored upon its receipt to unappropriated, available funds in the treasury.

Article 22. Voted: To transfer from unappropriated, available funds in the treasury the sum of $2,000.00 for improvement on East Street.

Article 23. Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of $900.00 to be used in putting up railing.

Article 24. Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of $1,000.00 to repair sidewalks.

Article 25. Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of $750.00 for Constables' pay and expense.

Article 26. Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of $200.00 for Constables' uniforms.

Article 27. Voted: To transfer from unappropriated, available funds in the treasury the sum of $7,750.00 to purchase road machinery.

Article 28. Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of $275.00 to be expended under the direction of the Northfield Posts of the American Legion and the Veterans of Foreign Wars for the purpose of celebrating Memorial Day.

Article 29. Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of $400.00 for hydrant service for sixteen hydrants to be paid to the Northfield Water Co. for adequate water to supply the hydrants for fire protection.

Article 30. Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of $200.00 to be used to purchase fish to be liberated in the streams of the Town of Northfield, under the supervision of the Selectmen.

Article 31. Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of $24.00 to install a street light on Woodruff Way (formerly Linden Ave.) near the residence of the Mayberry family, and the junction of Linden Street, south.

Article 32. Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of $72.00 to erect and maintain three street lights on Old Turnpike Road and Commonwealth Avenue.

Article 33. Voted: That the Town do raise and appropriate the sum of $300.00 to meet foreclosure costs on tax titles and that all tax titles be put through land court.

Article 34. Voted: To accept the sum of $200.00 from Warena P. Miller as a trust fund, the interest thereof payable to the Treasurer, to be used for perpetual care of her lot in West Northfield Cemetery.

Article 35. Voted: That the Town raise and appropriate the sum of $400.00 ($200.00 for maintenance and $200.00 for improvement) for the care of the Playground and Athletic Field, this sum to be expended under supervision of the School Committee.

Article 36. Voted: That the report of the War Memorial Committee be accepted and that the committee be continued to carry out the war memorial project as outlined therein as soon as funds can be provided for the purpose.

Voted: That the Moderator be instructed to appoint an Honor Roll Committee of five. This shall be a continuing committee which shall include the adjutants of the local posts of the American Legion and the Veterans of Foreign Wars, who shall serve ex-officio, and a member of the Northfield Historical Society. Initial appointments shall be for terms of three, two, and one year, respectively, and thereafter the Moderator shall appoint one member each year to serve a three year term. The purpose of this Committee shall be to compile by May 30, 1955, a list of all men and women of Northfield who have served in the armed forces of the United States of America, to make suitable record of these names in an Honor Roll volume which shall be kept in the Dickinson Memorial Library; and to keep this list of veterans up to date.

Article 37. Voted: To accept the report of the Fire House Building Committee as printed in the Town Report, and that the Committee be discharged with a vote of thanks.

Article 38. Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of $700.00 to maintain state-aided vocational education in accordance with the provisions of Section 14 of Chapter 74, General Laws.

Article 39. Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of $2,000.00 for highway work, to be expended under the direction of the Selectmen.

Article 40. Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of $1,000.00 to be used in making repairs on discontinued school buildings.

Article 41. Voted: To discontinue as a Town highway the street known as Spring Street from Forest Avenue to Linden Avenue on Mountain Park, accepted by the Town under Article 22 of the Warrant for the Annual Town Meeting, Feb. 7, 1927.

Article 42. Voted: Not to authorize the Selectmen to dispose of discontinued School buildings.

Article 43. Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of $1,500.00 for the care and maintenance and improvement of the fire station and town garage.

Article 44. Voted: That the Town raise and appropriate the sum of $1,000.00 for the Fire Department, for the purchase of a Model F Z Hale Portable Pump, 400 feet of 1 - 1/2″ Hose, and 100 feet of 2 - 1/2″ Hose. The pump to be purchased will be suitable for the combined use of the Fire Department and Highway Department.

Article 45. Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of $100.00 for Civil Defense purposes, the same to be expended under the direction of the Selectmen and Civil Defense Committee.

Article 46. Voted: To allow the Selectmen to dispose of the furnaces in the Pine Street School.

Article 47. Voted and passed over the article.

Article 48. Voted: Not to accept Highland Circuit as a public highway.

Article 49. Voted: To instruct the Moderator to appoint a committee of three, including one Selectman and one Assessor, to study the advisability of changing the date of the Annual Town Meeting.

Article 50. Voted: To transfer from Overlay Reserve the sum of $5,000.00 for a reserve fund for the coming year.

Article 51. Voted: To transfer from Surplus Revenue the sum of $30,000.00 to be used by the Assessors in determining the 1955 tax rate.

The meeting was dissolved at about 9:45 P.M.

Attest:

JOSEPHINE S. HASKELL,
Town Clerk

Copy of the Votes taken at the Special Election held in Northfield, Mass., June 20, 1955

Sixty ballots were cast with the following results:

TOWN CLERK, to fill vacancy

Horace F. Field	59
Blanks	1

The polls were opened at 12:00 o'clock noon, closed at seven o'clock P. M., the ballots counted, and the results announced.

The meeting was then closed to be reopened according to the warrant on Tuesday, June 21st, 1955 at eight o'clock.

HORACE F. FIELD, Town Clerk.
(For Evelyn H. Parker, Temporary Town Clerk.)

Copy of the Votes taken on the Articles in the Warrant for the Special Town Meeting, June 21, 1955

Article 1. Voted: To transfer from unappropriated available funds in the Treasury the sum of $950.00 for the use of the War Memorial Committee as recommended by the report approved under Article 36 at the Annual Town Meeting, February 8, 1955.

Article 2. Voted: To appropriate from Overlay Surplus the sum of $100.00 to repair the roof of the Old Fire Station.

Article 3. Voted: To appropriate the sum of $1,500.00 from Overlay Surplus to purchase two-way radio communication and incidental equipment.

Article 4. Voted: To accept Sectios 6B, Chapter 40, of the General Laws Tercentenary Edition.

Article 5. Voted: To transfer the sum of $2,500.00 from the Road Machinery Fund to trade for a new Town Truck.

Article 6. Voted: To accept the sum of $100.00 from Mrs. George Piper as a trust fund, the interest thereof payable to the Town Treasurer to be used for perpetual care of Frank Piper and William Piper lots in Center Cemetery.

Article 7. Voted: To transfer the sum of $130.00 from available funds in the Treasury to purchase a set of the Annotated Laws of Massachusetts.

Article 8. Voted: To appropriate from Overlay Surplus the sum of $300.00 for the purpose of surveying Highland Circuit so-called.

HORACE F. FIELD, Town Clerk.
(For Evelyn H. Parker, Temporary Town Clerk.)

Copy of the Votes taken on Articles in the Warrant for Special Town Meeting, December 12, 1955

Article 1. Voted to transfer the sum of one hundred and fifty dollars ($150.00) from the Gypsy Moth Account to the Dutch Elm Account.

The vote was unanimous.

Article 2. Voted to transfer the sum of one thousand two hundred dollars ($1200.00) from the General Relief Account to the Aid to Dependent Children Account.

The vote was unanimous.

A motion was made, seconded and carried to act on Article 4 ahead of Article 3.

Article 4. Voted to transfer the sum of nine hundred seventy-five dollars ($975.00) for extraordinary repairs in conjunction with remodeling the lunch room kitchen in Center School, this sum to be expended under the direction of the School Committee.

The vote was unanimous.

Article 3. Motion was made to express disapproval of the amount of the debt, namely one million three hundred fifty thousand dollars ($1,350,000) authorized by the Pioneer Valley Regional School District Committee by a vote passed by said committee on December 1, 1955. The Moderator directed that voting would be by a paper ballot at the close of the discussion of the article, and that the period of voting be one hour, which procedure was followed, and the voting was closed at 10:40 P. M., and the meeting adjourned by the Moderator. At the close of the voting the ballots were sorted and counted and it was determined that the motion was lost. Number of votes cast was 343. Yes—121, No—221, Blanks—1.

HORACE F. FIELD, Town Clerk.

JURY LIST

Erna R. Barnes
Dorothy J. Bigelow
Minnie E. Bolton
Violet J. Moody
Emma M. F. Powell
Elizabeth M. Spencer
Milford W. Atwood
Francis L. Brennan
Harold J. Carroll
F. Myron Dunnell
Horace F. Field, Jr.
John S. Hammond
Donald G. Huber
Dana Leavis
Philip M. Mann, Jr.
William M. Marshall
Ernest A. Parker
Arthur H. Pietz
Hesser C. Ruhl
Thomas J. Russell
Robert C. Schouler
Francis C. Sobieski
Clarence H. Spaulding
Paul B. Thompson
Edward J. Guinnee
Martin G. Fritz

TOWN TREASURER'S REPORT

January 1, 1955 to December 31, 1955

Balance January 1, 1955		$147,276.34	
Receipts for year 1955		350,652.78	
			$497,929.12
Payments per Warrants		$385,096.59	
Cash on hand December 31, 1955	$ 2,046.43		
Franklin County Trust Company	110,786.10		
		112,832.53	
			$497,929.12

Franklin County Trust Company of Greenfield

Balance Dec. 31, 1955 per Statement		$125,776.76
Outstanding checks Dec. 31, 1955 per list	$ 14,990.66	
Balance Dec. 31, 1955 per check book	110,786.10	
		$125,776.76

Franklin County Retirement System

Balance Jan. 1, 1955	$ 134.28	
Amount collected from members in 1955	1,645.93	
		$ 1,780.21
Payments to Franklin County Retirement Board in 1955	$ 1,586.33	
Balance Dec. 31, 1955 in Treasury	193.88	
		$ 1,780.21

Withholding Tax Statement

Balance on hand Jan. 1, 1955	$ 969.92	
Withholding deducted in 1955	12,542.68	
		$ 13,512.60
Paid to Collector of Internal Revenue in 1955	$ 12,419.00	
Balance Dec. 31, 1955 in Treasury	1,093.60	
		$ 13,512.60

Blue Cross and Blue Shield

Deductions from members in 1955	$ 1,454.70
Paid to Massachusetts Hospital Service	$ 1,454.70

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES F. SLATE,
Treasurer.

Treasurer's Report of Trust Funds

Edward D. Priest and Others — West Northfield Cemetery Fund

	Savings Deposits	*Securities*	*Total*
On hand Jan. 1, 1955	$ 3,370.00	$ 4,000.00	$ 7,370.00
On hand Dec. 31, 1955	3,370.00	4,000.00	7,370.00
Receipts of Interest	192.62		

James W. Cowles Cemetery Fund

On hand Jan. 1, 1955	$ 2,000.00		2,000.00
On hand Dec. 31, 1955	2,000.00		2,000.00
Receipts of Interest	60.45		

Calvin Stearns Center Cemetery Fund

On hand Jan. 1, 1955	$ 500.00		$ 500.00
On hand Dec. 31, 1955	500.00		500.00
Receipts of Interest	15.11		

Belcher Center School Fund

On hand Jan. 1, 1955	$ 1,050.00	$ 200.00	$ 1,250.00
On hand Dec. 31, 1955	1,050.00	200.00	1,250.00
Receipts of Interest	34.23		

Belcher Center Cemetery Fund

On hand Jan. 1, 1955	$ 1,000.00	$ 1,000.00	$ 2,000.00
On hand Dec. 1, 1955	1,000.00	1,000.00	2,000.00
Receipts of Interest	55.23		

Lottie Evans Worthy Poor Fund

On hand Jan. 1, 1955	$ 888.35		$ 888.35
Receipts of Interest added			
On hand Dec. 31, 1955	900.56		900.56
to account	12.21		

George F. Morgan Charity Fund

On hand Jan. 1, 1955	$ 3,000.00		$ 3,000.00
On hand Dec. 31, 1955	3,000.00		3,000.00
Receipts of Interest	90.68		

Surplus Revenue School Funds

On hand Jan. 1, 1955	$ 1,600.00		$ 1,600.00
On hand Dec. 31, 1955	1,600.00		1,600.00
Receipts of Interest	22.00		

Belcher Library Fund

	Savings Deposits	*Securities*	*Total*
On hand Jan. 1, 1955	$ 9,439.01	$ 300.00	$ 9,739.01
On hand Dec. 31, 1955	9,439.01	300.00	9,739.01
Receipts of Interest	190.03		

Charles P. Dickinson Library Book Fund

On hand Jan. 1, 1955	$ 3,000.00		$ 3,000.00
On hand Dec. 31, 1955	3,000.00		3,000.00
Receipts of Interest	79.26		

Mary H. Callender Mt. Hermon Cemetery Fund

On hand Jan. 1, 1955	$ 500.00	$	$ 500.00
On hand Dec. 31, 1955	500.00		500.00
Receipts of Interest	15.11		

Post War Rehabilitation Fund

On hand Jan. 1, 1955	$ 2,948.66	$ 10,000.00	$ 12,948.66
Receipts of Int. on Securities	250.00		
Receipts of Int. on Savings Deposits	86.57		
On hand Dec. 31, 1955	3,285.23	10,000.00	13,285.23

Roselle Evans Worthy Poor Fund

On hand Jan. 1, 1955	$ 500.00		$ 500.00
On hand Dec. 31, 1955	500.00		500.00
Receipts of Interest	15.11		

Maude Montague Library Fund

On hand Jan. 1, 1955		$ 2,000.00	$ 2,000.00
On hand Dec. 31, 1955		2,000.00	2,000.00
Receipts of Interest	$ 50.00		

LIST OF CEMETERY PERPETUAL CARE FUND

South Mountain Cemetery

Alice J. Bigelow	$100.00

West Northfield Cemetery

Cecil Wilson	$100.00
Caroline B. Lane	150.00
George W. Snow	200.00
Henry M. Yerrington	100.00
Pennock Fund	100.00
Cora Preston and Pitts W. Preston	100.00
S. E. K. Priest	200.00
George F. Witt	100.00
Jane E. Evans	50.00
Warena P. Miller	200.00

Mount Hermon Cemetery

Henry F. Cutler	$100.00
L. L. Drury	100.00
Horace F. Holton	100.00
Alice V. Watson	150.00
Anna Bell Mc Millan	100.00
Charles T. Sibley	200.00
Lewis Hodus	200.00
Roy R. Hatch	100.00
Joseph Castogue	100.00

Northfield Farms Cemetery

James Browning	$100.00
Retta R. Barrett	100.00
Ada E. Chamberlain and Sarah Morgan	75.00
George M. Chamberlain	75.00
Mrs. Eva J. S. Clough	200.00
M. Maria Foss	200.00
Ernest C. Field	100.00
Elisa Groves	51.69
Brigham Gage and David Clowes	100.00
Charles L. Gilbert	200.00
Nettie E. Gilbert	300.00
Samuel A. Holton	200.00
Inez E. Holton	50.00
Elvira A. Morgan	50.00
James and William Merriam	100.00
Henry W. Montague	400.00
Charles C. Morgan	100.00
Samuel Pratt	25.00
Larkin Fisher and Frank and Lucy Ross	50.00
Fred W. Ruggles	100.00
Asahel and Alner Sawyer	100.00
Marcellus D. Stratton	100.00
Rufus Stratton and Oren Darling	150.00
Elisha and Elihu Stratton	200.00
William H. Stratton	100.00
Mary A. Stratton	100.00
Samuel W. and William G. Slate	100.00
Leroy Weatherhead	75.00
Oscar and Frank V. Wood	50.00
Jennie E. Bascom	150.00

Center Cemetery

Nelson and Nettie Spring	$100.00
Emma A. Haltnorth	100.00
John F. Rice	100.00
Carpenter Winchester	100.00
Clinton A. Ware	150.00
George R. Stebbins	50.00
Charles Stebbins	100.00
Walter D. Crane	100.00
John E. Nye	100.00
Harvey J. Evans	50.00
Augustus W. Holton	100.00
Thomas R. Callender	50.00
Johnson Fund	123.06
Mary L. Wright	125.00
M. Bemis and Otis Field	50.00
Charles Blackmer	50.00
Alvin Long	50.00
Issac Cook and Wright Stratton	100.00
John L. Mattoon	100.00
Levi Fay	150.00
Sarah E. Minot	150.00
James Pickard	100.00
Augustus L. Day	100.00
Elijar Belding	125.00

Elijar E. Belding	100.00
Katherine Gaeng	100.00
Arad Webster and William Billings	500.00
James White	100.00
A. M. D. Alexander	300.00
Charles Alexander and Richard Colton	200.00
Adelaide W. Moody	100.00
Louis M. Potts	200.00
Roselle Evans	50.00
Amos Shepardson and Anna S. Preston	150.00
Bessie Moore	100.00
Elizabeth P. Kraft	100.00
Maximilla S. Halchita	100.00
Albert S. Brigham	100.00
George E. Nye	200.00
Dorothy P. Bruce	150.00
Dr. Stratton White and George Hastings	100.00
Jessamine W. Polhemus	100.00
William R. Moody	100.00
Mrs. Norman Mac Gaffin	50.00
Clara B. Torrey	100.00
Herbert E. Robbins	200.00
S. E. Walker	200.00
J. I. Greenleaf	300.00
M. Margaret Laird	100.00
Hezekiah and Elizabeth Stratton	80.00
Hezekiah and Mollie Stratton	80.00
Rufus and Asenath Stratton	80.00
William H. Phelps	200.00
Elizabeth M. Purple	200.00
Sarah Jane Whithead	50.00
Bessie Severance	100.00
Lewis Fowler	50.00
J. Wesley Mann	100.00
Andrew E. and Andrew H. Lyman	400.00
Edward B. Stearns	50.00
Benjamin F. Field and Chas. Pomeroy	100.00
Charles Osgood	300.00
Louis Frederick Bartlett	100.00
Sherman Nye Bartlett	100.00
Rose A. Holton	100.00
C. D. Merriam and Cornelius Hillard	300.00
Cora B. Preston and Asa Holton	100.00
Frank and William Piper	100.00

Cemetery Perpetual Care Funds

	Savings Deposits	*Total*
On hand January 1, 1955	$ 14,514.75	$ 14,514.75
On hand December 31, 1955	14,964.75	14,964.75
Receipts of Interest	390.36	
Bequests	450.00	
Deposited in Savings Bank	450.00	
Interest transferred to Town	390.36	

CHARLES F. SLATE
Treasurer.

Tax Collector's Report

1951 Levy		
Outstanding December 31, 1954		$ 146.70
Paid Treasurer	$ 93.00	
Outstanding December 31, 1955	53.70	
		$ 146.70
1952 Levy		
Outstanding December 31, 1954		$ 704.40
Paid Treasurer	$ 485.20	
Abatements	79.80	
Outstanding December 31, 1955	139.40	
		$ 704.40
1953 Levy		
Outstanding December 31, 1954		$ 5,521.72
Paid Treasurer	$ 4,874.32	
Abatements	42.40	
Outstanding December 31, 1955	605.00	
		$ 5,521.72
1954 Levy		
Outstanding December 31, 1954		$ 23,266.89
Paid Treasurer	$ 14,607.73	
Abatements	53.83	
Outstanding December 31, 1955	8,605.33	
		$ 23,266.89
1955 Levy		
1955 Real Estate Levy		$112,999.32
Paid Treasurer	$ 96,504.39	
Tax Titles	416.10	
Abatements	195.60	
Exemptions	1,603.80	
Outstanding December 31, 1955	14,279.43	
		$112,999.32
1955 Poll Tax Levy		$ 1,368.00
Refund		2.00
		$ 1,370.00
Paid Treasurer	$ 956.00	
Abatements	236.00	
Outstanding December 31, 1955	178.00	
		$ 1,370.00

1955 Personal Property Levy		$ 17,919.30
Paid Treasurer	$ 15,343.80	
Abatements	61.50	
Outstanding December 31, 1955	2,514.00	
		$ 17,919.30
1955 Motor Vehicle Levy		$ 25,536.45
Refunds		734.48
		$ 26,270.93
Paid Treasurer	$ 18,101.47	
Abatements	1,498.27	
Outstanding December 31, 1955	6,671.19	
		$ 26,270.93

Respectfully submitted,

ROY J. FISH,
Tax Collector.

Board of Assessors' Report

FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1955

Recapitulation

Town Appropriation			
(a) to be raised by Taxation		$ 233,197.93	
(b) to be raised from available funds			
in 1955	$ 46,125.00		
in 1954 after tax rate was fixed	none		
		$ 46,125.00	
			$ 279,322.93
Veterans' Service District	762.12		
State Assessments 1955 Estimated			
State Parks and Reservations	$ 383.76		
		$ 383.76	
State Audit of Municipal Accounts	$ 893.46		
		$ 893.46	
Gypsy and Brown Tail Moth Underestimate	$ 330.56		
		$ 330.56	
			$ 1,607.78

County Assessments		
County Tax	$ 9,745.00	
County Retirement System	1,815.10	
		$ 11,560.10
Overlay of current year		5,988.37
Gross amount to be raised		$ 299,241.30

Estimated Receipts and Available Funds

Income Tax	$ 22,147.41	
Corporation Taxes	7,738.74	
Reimbursement on account of publicly owned land	523.79	
Old Age Tax (meals) Chap. 64B, S. 10	1,231.90	
Motor Vehicle and Trailer Excise	16,200.00	
Licenses	50.00	
General Government	100.00	
Protection of Persons and Property	50.00	
Health and Sanitation	100.00	
Charities (other than Federal Grants for Aid to Dependent Children)	2,000.00	
Old Age Assistance (other than Federal Grants)	17,000.00	
Veterans' Service	500.00	
Schools	21,500.00	
Interest on Taxes	200.00	
Total Estimated Receipts		$ 89,341.84
County Tax	1,488.14	
State Parks and Reservations	1.70	
Available Funds	46,125.00	
Free Cash	30,000.00	
		$ 77,614.84
Total Estimated Receipts and Available Funds		$ 166,956.68
Net amount to be raised by Taxation		132,284.62
Number of Polls 683 at $2.00	$ 1,366.00	
Valuation of Personal Property $298,655.00 at $60.00	17,919.30	
Valuation of Real Estate $1,883,322.00 at $60.00	112,999.32	
Total Taxes Levied on Polls and Property		$ 132,284.62

Table of Aggregates

Number of Polls	683	
Number of Persons assessed		
On Personal Property only	39	
On Real Estate only	444	
On Both Personal and Real Estate	235	
Value of Assessed Stock in Trade	$ 29,900.00	
Machinery	192,090.00	
Live Stock	66,115.00	
All Other Personal Property	10,550.00	
Total Value of Personal Property		$ 298,655.00
Value of Assessed Real Estate		
Land Exclusive of Buildings	$ 528,487.00	
Buildings Exclusive of Land	1,354,835.00	
Total Value of Assessed Real Estate		$1,883,322.00
Total Value of Assessed Estate		$2,181,977.00
Tax Rate Per $1,000	$ 60.00	
Taxes for State, County or Town Purposes		
On Personal	17,919.30	
On Real Estate	112,999.32	
On Polls	1,366.00	
Total Taxes Assessed		$ 132,284.62
Number of Live Stock Assessed		
Horses (One year old or over)		28
Cows (Milch)		1009
Bulls, Steers and Heifers		396
Swine (6 months old or over)		27
Sheep (6 months old or over)		19
Fowl		2500
All Other		43
Number of Acres of Land Assessed		19,011 3/5
Number of Dwelling Houses Assessed		700

Abatements During the Year of 1955

Levy of	1955	1954	1953	1952
Polls	$ 236.00	$12.00	$ 4.00	
Motor Vehicle	1,498.27	35.33	109.06	
Personal	61.50	6.50	38.40	$79.50
Real Estate	198.00			
Exemptions Chap. 59	1,687.80		83.20	

Motor Vehicle and Trailer Excise

Number of Motor Vehicles Assessed	1,244
Total Excise on Motor Vehicles	$ 25,536.45
Total Assessed Valuation	875,810.00

We the Board of Assessors would like to express our appreciation to the town officials for their assistance and cooperation, and to the Northfield Post Office for the help received with the mailing of the Valuation books.

Respectfully submitted,

CLIFFORD A. FIELD
WINTHROP E. SPENCER
LEE H. SHELDON
Assessors

Welfare Department Report

Old Age Assistance

No. cases January 1, 1955	58	
No. cases added during year	5	
No. cases closed during year	9	
No. cases December 31, 1955	54	
Appropriation	$ 38,000.00	
U. S. Grant carried over from 1954	9,194.81	
Cancelled checks and refunds	248.62	
U. S. Grant, reimbursements 1955	21,396.39	
		$ 68,839.82
Expended, payrolls	$ 54,979.77	
Expended, other towns	562.48	
Transferred to revenue	2,825.04	
U. S. Grant carried to 1956	10,472.53	
		$ 68,839.82

Aid to Dependent Children

No. cases January 1, 1955	5
No. cases added during year	1
No. cases closed during year	3
No. cases December 31, 1955	3
Appropriation	$ 5,000.00
From Reserve Fund	630.00
Transferred from General Relief	1,200.00
U. S. Grant carried from 1954	722.80

Cancelled checks	50.95	
U. S. Grant, reimbursements 1955	3,316.20	
		$ 10,919.95
Expended	$ 10,086.06	
Transferred to Revenue	394.54	
U. S. Grant carried to 1956	439.35	
		$ 10,919.95

Disability Assistance

No. cases January, 1955	3	
No. cases added during year	0	
No. cases closed during year	1	
No. cases December 31, 1955	2	
Appropriation	$ 2,500.00	
U. S. Grant carried over from 1954	1,113.61	
U. S. Grant, reimbursements 1955	822.75	
Cancelled checks	28.20	
		$ 4,464.56
Expended	$ 3,405.05	
Transferred to revenue	250.27	
U. S. Grant carried to 1956	809.24	
		$ 4,464.56

General Relief

No. cases January 1, 1955	2	
No. cases added during year	6	
No. cases closed during year	5	
No. cases December 31, 1955	3	
Appropriation	$ 5,000.00	
Less transfer to ADC account	−1,200.00	
		$ 3,800.00
Cash to GR recipients	$ 874.58	
To other towns	111.96	
Payments to vendors	760.45	
Balance to revenue	2,053.01	
		$ 3,800.00

Administrative

Appropriation		$ 2,500.00	
U. S. Grant carried over from 1954:			
OAA	$ 835.02		
ADC	473.41		
DA	217.02		
		$ 1,525.45	
U. S. Grant 1955 reimbursements:			
OAA	$ 1,217.82		
ADC	624.20		
DA	100.62		
		$ 1,942.64	
			$ 5,968.09

Expended:			
Agent's Salary	$ 3,520.00		
Transportation	126.79		
Office Supplies	34.91		
Postage	30.00		
Telephone	79.74		
Miscellaneous	49.35		
		$ 3,840.79	
U. S. Grant carried to 1956:			
OAA	$ 795.88		
ADC	444.19		
DA	317.64		
		$ 1,557.71	
Balance to revenue		569.59	
			$ 5,968.09

Respectfully submitted,

SHIRLEY H. KEHL, Agent
Board of Public Welfare

Town Accountant's Report

In compliance with the provisions of Chapter 41 of the General Laws, I submit the following report of the Accountant's Department for the calendar year ending December 31, 1955, including the source of all receipts, detail of appropriations and expenditures, statement of trust funds and town debt, and a balance sheet showing the financial condition of the town January 1, 1956.

HELEN M. STEARNS

TREASURER'S RECEIPTS

Taxes 1951:			
Real Estate			$ 93.00
Taxes 1952:			
Personal Property	$ 1.50		
Real Estate	483.70		
			$ 485.20
Taxes 1953:			
Polls	$ 10.00		
Personal Property	127.68		
Real Estate	4,736.64		
			$ 4,874.32

Taxes 1954:		
Polls	$ 64.00	
Personal Property	1,761.18	
Real Estate	9,374.73	
		$ 11,199.91
Taxes 1955:		
Polls	$ 956.00	
Personal Property	15,343.80	
Real Estate	96,506.39	
		$112,806.19
Motor Vehicle and Trailer Excise		
Levy of 1952	$ 34.50	
Levy of 1953	1,254.63	
Levy of 1954	3,406.52	
Levy of 1955	19,621.39	
		$ 24,317.04
Collector's Costs		$ 104.25
Acct. Rec. Sidewalks	$ 50.00	
General Relief	747.25	
O.A.A.	27,096.01	
A.D.C.	2,789.12	
D.A. Adm.	50.32	
D.A.	1,565.11	
Veterans' Benefits	743.21	
Schools	2,000.35	
		$ 35,041.37
Federal Grants		
O.A.A. Adm.	$ 1,217.82	
O.A.A.	21,396.39	
A.D.C. Adm.	624.20	
A.D.C.	3,316.20	
D.A. Adm.	100.62	
D.A.	850.95	
Smith-Hughes-Barden Fund	200.00	
		$ 27,706.18
O.A.A. Recovery		5,487.92
State Aid to Hwys.		22,237.90
County Aid to Hwys.		6,999.53
Hwy. Machinery Earnings		8,791.35
School Lunch		16,808.28
School Athletics		411.50
Dog Licenses		663.00
Federal Withholding Taxes		12,542.68
County Retirement		1,645.93
Mass. Hospital Service		1,454.70
U. S. Bond Income		250.00
County Dog Officer		208.50

Wild Cat Bounty		70.00
Licenses Granted		210.00
Rent — Town Hall		423.75
Rent — Alexander Hall		18.00
Interest on deferred taxes		817.54
Library Fines		243.30
Nurse's Fees		262.25
Sealer's Fees		130.80
Vocational Education Fees		119.80
Insurance Claim		65.93
Eastern States Farmers' Exchange, Bonus		.99
State		
Loss of Taxes	$ 539.04	
Meals Tax	1,352.88	
Income Tax	4,259.15	
Corporation Tax	6,810.69	
Livestock Disease Control	91.27	
License	8.00	
Aerial Refund	4.20	
School Superintendent	1,216.80	
School Aid	17,600.00	
Vocational Education	1,989.08	
English Speaking Class	13.50	
Edu. Transportation	14,191.97	
P.W. Transportation	691.75	
P.W. Tuition	2,625.58	
		$ 51,393.91
County		
Dog Licenses	$ 552.97	
Court Fines	15.00	
		$ 567.97
Trust Funds Interest		
Surplus Revenue School Fund	$ 22.00	
Elisha Alexander Charity	60.60	
George F. Morgan Charity	90.68	
Roselle Evans Worthy Poor	15.11	
Belcher Center School	34.23	
Belcher Library	190.03	
Montague Library	50.00	
Dickinson Book	79.26	
P.C. Center, Mt. H., So. Mt. Cemeteries	386.42	
P.C. Northfield Farms	90.42	
P.C. West Northfield	231.37	
P.C. Mary Callender	15.11	
P.C. Calvin Stearns	15.11	
		$ 1,280.34

Sale of Cemetery Lots		$ 120.00
Trust Funds		450.00
Constables Contribution to Uniforms		52.00
Refunds — O.A.A.		246.50
A.D.C.		50.95
Total Cash Receipts		$350,652.88
Cash on hand Jan. 1, 1955		147,276.34
		$497,929.22

EXPENDITURES

Moderator

Appropriation		$ 25.00
Edgar Livingston		$ 25.00

Selectmen and Welfare Board

Appropriation		$ 1,200.00
William M. Marshall	$ 400.00	
Robert P. Barnes	400.00	
Wallace E. Stange	366.67	
Ellwyn E. Miller	33.33	
		$ 1,200.00

Selectmen's Expense

Appropriation		$ 250.00
Mass. Ass'n.	$ 25.00	
Franklin Co. Ass'n.	6.00	
N. E. Tel. & Tel. Co.	79.74	
Hobbs & Warren, Inc.	12.00	
Avery's	2.06	
Johnson & Johnson	5.50	
Franklin Co. Pub. Co.	16.68	
Commissioner of Public Safety	3.30	
Shirley Baker	5.00	
Postage	6.00	
Wallace Stange	16.50	
Robert Barnes	4.00	
William Marshall	34.50	
	$ 216.28	
Bal. to Revenue	33.72	
		$ 250.00

Accountant

Appropriation		$ 950.00
Helen M. Stearns		$ 950.00

Accountant Expense

Appropriation		$ 75.00
Mass. Ass'n.	$ 3.00	

The Sautter Co.		25.00	
Helen Stearns		47.00	
			$ 75.00

Legal

Appropriation			$ 250.00
Raymond Trudel			$ 250.00

Tax Collector

Appropriation			$ 750.00
Roy J. Fish			$ 750.00

Tax Collector's Expense

Appropriation			$ 500.00
Mass. Ass'n.	$	2.00	
Read Shaw Agency		5.00	
Roy J. Fish, Ins.		223.50	
Hobbs & Warren		121.82	
Ray Smith		25.00	
Roy J. Fish		115.38	
	$	492.70	
Bal. to Revenue		7.30	
			$ 500.00

Treasurer

Appropriation			$ 900.00
Charles F. Slate			$ 900.00

Treasurer's Expense

Appropriation			$ 400.00
Mass. Ass'n.	$	2.00	
Hobbs & Warren		17.17	
The Todd Co.		23.50	
Richard Smith, Inc.		49.23	
Franklin Co. Trust Co.		63.78	
Colton's Ins.		126.75	
Charles Slate		18.20	
Postage		99.37	
			$ 400.00

Assessors and Clerk

Appropriation			$ 1,400.00
Clifford Field	$	300.00	
Winthrop Spencer		300.00	
Lee Sheldon		300.00	
Winthrop Spencer, Clerk		500.00	
			$ 1,400.00

Assessors' Expense

Appropriation			$ 225.00
Mass. Ass'n.	$	9.00	
Fr. Co. Registry of Deeds		62.00	
Hobbs & Warren		33.08	

The Sautter Co.	17.25	
Pittsfield Typewriter Co.	29.00	
Burroughs Corp.	18.00	
N. E. Tel. & Tel. Co.	1.35	
Clifford Field	10.00	
Lee Sheldon	10.00	
Winthrop Spencer	24.70	
	$ 214.38	
Bal. to Revenue	10.62	
		$ 225.00

Town Clerk

Appropriation		$ 500.00
Josephine S. Haskell	$ 166.67	
Evelyn H. Parker	79.17	
Horace Field II	254.16	
		$ 500.00

Town Clerk Expense

Appropriation	$ 80.00	
Reserve Fund	75.00	
		$ 155.00
Mass. Ass'n.	$ 7.50	
Colton's Ins.	12.25	
Josephine S. Haskell estate	31.90	
Evelyn H. Parker	8.95	
Johnson & Johnson	16.00	
Spencer Bros.	15.00	
Northfield Food Mart	42.70	
Horace Field II	4.50	
	$ 138.80	
Bal. to Reserve Fund	16.20	
		$ 155.00

Election and Registration

Appropriation		$ 950.00
E. A. Hall & Co.	$ 245.78	
Hobbs & Warren	19.85	
Josephine Haskell	85.50	
Lawrence Hammond	132.50	
Edward Hurley	125.50	
Charles Streeter	132.50	
Ralph Holton	8.75	
Edna Bistrek	13.75	
Flora Abbey	22.50	
Frank Anderson	22.50	
Katherine Callaghan	22.50	
Daisy Holton	22.50	

Harrison Stacy	13.75	
Helen Stearns	22.50	
James Dale	22.50	
	$ 912.88	
Bal. to Revenue	37.12	
		$ 950.00

Town Hall

Appropriation	$ 4,800.00	
Reserve Fund	197.30	
		$ 4,997.30
Com. of Mass.	$ 35.00	
The Bookstore	122.99	
Kidder & Co.	150.00	
Smead Lumber Co.	28.26	
William Durant	70.15	
Leavis & Bolton	5.15	
Edward Bolton	366.24	
Avery's	8.53	
F. A. Irish	38.92	
C. B. Dolge Co.	136.65	
Alfred Holton	55.09	
Hamilton Cregar	263.63	
Sidney Walker	3.00	
Edmund Morgan	3.00	
Frank Anderson	26.50	
Nfld. Water Co.	13.17	
W. M. Electric Co.	276.96	
F. M. Dunnell	1,593.31	
Charles Slate	1,800.75	
		$ 4,997.30

Constables and Expense

Appropriation	$ 750.00	
Reserve Fund	13.17	
		$ 763.17
Joseph Morgan	$ 165.82	
Paul Chamberlin	315.94	
Niles Stone	162.50	
Murray Hammond	73.88	
Willie Parker	15.65	
Police Ass'n	1.00	
S. H. Reese Co.	20.58	
Sec. Phono. Service	7.00	
N. E. T. & T. Co.	.80	
		$ 763.17

Constable Uniforms

Appropriation	$ 200.00	
Donation by Constables	52.00	
		$ 252.00
M. Linsky & Bro.		$ 252.00

Fire Department

Appropriation	$ 3,000.00	
Reserve Fund	1,484.65	
		$ 4,484.65
David Deane	$ 129.07	
N. E. Tel & Tel. Co.	282.67	
W. M. E. Co.	3.90	
F. M. Dunnell	152.53	
Hamilton Cregar	5.43	
Mass. Fire Equip. Co.	18.00	
American Fire Equip. Co.	350.00	
Tri State Mutual Aid	5.00	
G. L. Merriam Co.	13.40	
Roy J. Fish, Ins.	484.59	
Colton's, Ins.	420.03	
Avery's	76.67	
Lily-Dan	6.35	
Northfield Food Mart	13.36	
Hobbs & Warren	1.93	
Johnson & Johnson	18.00	
Stearns Garage	166.36	
Morgan Garage	56.13	
G. C. Buffum	4.82	
Bill's Service Station	5.63	
Jordan Motor Sales	15.00	
Kidder & Co.	4.60	
Northfield Pharmacy	16.80	
Maxim Motor Co.	263.80	
Fred Conley	18.84	
Sundry persons—forest fires	51.00	
American LaFrance Corp.	657.71	
Express	4.03	
Floyd Dunnell, Jr.	127.00	
James Dale	50.00	
Philip Mann, Jr.	113.00	
Dwight Stearns	209.00	
Andrew Gray	1.00	
Alfred Holton	2.00	
Edward Bolton	28.00	
Francis Reed	15.00	
Gilbert Stacy	39.00	

Joseph Morgan	14.00	
Roy Barrows	12.00	
W. W. Sanderson	35.00	
Howard Williams	59.00	
David Quinn	80.00	
John Hammond	57.00	
Edmund Morgan	97.00	
Paul Carpenter	62.00	
Fred Bolton	3.00	
Warren Randall	70.00	
Harold Williams	47.00	
Donald McCollester	10.00	
Leland Black	42.00	
Leslie Gibson	21.00	
Robert Whitney	23.00	
Alden Edson	10.00	
Gardiner Hudson	8.00	
Gerald Barnes	5.00	
		$ 4,484.65

Hydrants

Appropriation		$ 400.00
Northfield Water Co.		$ 400.00

Waterholes

Appropriation		$ 400.00
Steve Siciak		$ 400.00

Maintenance Fire Station and Town Garage

Appropriation		$ 1,500.00
Stanley Johnson	$ 600.48	
W. M. E. Co.	262.69	
Ray Thompson	6.25	
Richco Products	55.08	
Kidder & Co.	84.93	
Northfield Water Co.	13.20	
Hamilton Cregar	18.18	
G. G. Bentley	4.00	
Avery's	5.64	
Edmund Morgan	23.30	
Leland Black	15.75	
	$ 1,089.50	
Balance to Revenue	410.50	
		$ 1,500.00

Fire Truck

Appropriation		$ 17,000.00
Maxim Motor Co.		$ 17,000.00

Fire Hose and Portable Pump

Appropriation		$ 1,000.00
American LaFrance Corp.		$ 1,000.00

Public Safety

Appropriation		$ 25.00
Floyd Dunnell, Jr.		$ 25.00

Wire Inspector

Appropriation		$ 50.00
Balance to Revenue		$ 50.00

Sealer Weights and Measures and Expense

Appropriation		$ 175.00
Warren Randall—salary	$ 150.00	
Warren Randall—expense	25.00	
		$ 175.00

Gypsy Moth

Appropriation	$ 800.00	
Transfer to Dutch Elm	150.00	
		$ 650.00
Niagara Chemical Division	$ 319.00	
Hinckley Tree Service	213.95	
Joseph Bilmon	57.00	
Horace Field	22.50	
Kenneth Miller	22.50	
Harold Clough	4.60	
Ernest Kenney	4.00	
Town Truck No. 8	6.00	
	$ 649.55	
Balance to Revenue	.45	
		$ 650.00

Dutch Elm Control

Appropriation	$ 600.00	
Transfer from Gypsy Moth	150.00	
Transfer from Reserve	122.34	
		$ 872.34
Joseph Bilmon	$ 123.75	
Kenneth Miller	58.40	
Hinckley Tree Service	94.80	
Harold Clough	39.10	
Ernest Kenney	37.00	
George Smalley	43.00	
Robert Strange	5.00	
Orrin Carey	5.00	
Ronald Winship	31.05	
C. Habel	173.00	

Paul Dill	30.00	
M. Bolduc	15.00	
William Roberge	6.00	
Robert Flagg	14.00	
Horace Field	7.00	
Frank Anderson	6.00	
Hamilton Cregar	3.24	
George Wetherby	72.00	
Town Truck No. 8	39.00	
Town Truck No. 9	15.00	
Front End Loader	35.00	
Power Saw	15.00	
Tractor	5.00	
		$ 872.34

Tree Warden

Appropriation		$ 600.00
Kenneth Miller	$ 126.40	
Henry Bassett	18.40	
Harold Clough	25.30	
Ronald Winship	31.05	
Wallace Stange	7.45	
Orrin Carey	12.00	
Robert Strange	24.00	
Ernest Kenney	31.50	
George Smalley	19.00	
David Martin	8.00	
Edgar Livingston, Jr.	8.00	
Wm. Strange	8.00	
F. M. Dunnell, Jr.	3.00	
Robert Flagg	16.00	
Steve Siciak	14.00	
Lewis Shine	35.00	
George Wetherby	36.00	
Hamilton Cregar	34.27	
Melvin Miller	6.00	
Frank Anderson	26.75	
Jordan Motor Sales	12.00	
Town Truck No. 7	16.50	
Town Truck No. 8	25.50	
Town Truck No. 9	9.00	
Power Saw	24.00	
Tractor	22.50	
	$ 599.62	
Balance to Revenue	.38	
		$ 600.00

Dog Officer

Appropriation	$ 150.00	
Reserve Fund	43.85	
		$ 193.85
Robert Gibson		$ 193.85

Health

Appropriation		$ 1,300.00
Abalene Exterminating Co.	$ 124.00	
N. W. S. & G. Co.	25.26	
J. H. Black	3.00	
Leland Black	111.00	
Kenneth Miller	55.70	
Melvin Miller	9.00	
Frank Anderson	40.00	
Ronald Winship	4.60	
Truck No. 8	6.00	
Tractor	111.25	
Hampshire Co. Sanatorium	144.00	
Dr. A. J. Stone	157.50	
Dr. F. W. Dean	3.00	
Dr. A. B. True	9.00	
Robert Barnes	4.05	
Avery's	1.58	
Hobbs & Warren	39.37	
Barrett & Baker	3.38	
P. V. Stamp Co.	1.90	
Eisner Surgical Appliances	4.85	
E. A. Hall Co.	20.00	
Josephine Haskell	14.00	
Evelyn Parker	22.00	
Horace Field II	57.00	
	$ 971.44	
Balance to Revenue	328.56	
		$ 1,300.00

Nurse and Substitute

Appropriation		$ 2,750.00
Marian Billings	$ 2,537.49	
Norma Stearns	212.51	
		$ 2,750.00

Nurse's Expense

Appropriation		$ 75.00
Marian Billings	$ 8.74	
N. E. Tel. & Tel. Co.	7.10	

Northfield Pharmacy	26.56	
Eisner Surgical Appliances	18.75	
	$ 61.15	
Balance to Revenue	13.85	
		$ 75.00

Nurse Car Expense

Appropriation		$ 500.00
Roy J. Fish	$ 109.92	
Spencer Bros.	80.98	
G. C. Buffum	11.49	
Bill's Service Station	15.13	
Jordan Motor Sales	4.93	
Morgan Garage	4.11	
Stearns Garage	15.04	
Eugene Miller	16.23	
George's Auto Body	25.00	
Esso Standard Oil Co.	13.70	
	$ 296.53	
Balance to Revenue	203.47	
		$ 500.00

Inspection of Animals

Appropriation	$ 175.00	
Reserve Fund	8.98	
		$ 183.98
Gilbert Hammond		$ 183.98

Inspection of Meat and Slaughter

Appropriation		$ 50.00
Leroy Barnes	$ 25.00	
Balance to Revenue	25.00	
		$ 50.00

Machinery Maintenance

Road Machinery Fund		$ 5,500.00
Eugene Miller	$ 223.90	
George Sheldon	210.99	
The Northfield	108.30	
Spencer Bros.	598.98	
Stearns Garage	459.34	
Morgan Garage	162.61	
Jordan Motor Sales	96.20	
Bill's Service Station	167.71	

James Neigh	16.45	
G. C. Buffum	341.26	
Harold Allen	8.13	
Tenney Farms	27.06	
Hamilton Cregar	11.94	
H. F. Davis Tractor Co.	72.03	
Transglobal Steel Co.	636.14	
Federal Tool & Steel Co.	125.80	
Mason Dixon Steel Co.	20.15	
Frank Hance	66.45	
Eastern Equipment Sales	2.00	
Clapp's Service	1.25	
Salter's Express	1.95	
Harold Clough	65.55	
Henry Bassett	36.80	
Ronald Winship	27.60	
Gerald Stebbins	3.00	
Colton's Insurance	407.41	
Esso Standard Oil Co.	981.43	
	$ 4,880.43	
Balance to Road Machinery Fund	619.57	
		$ 5,500.00

Tools

Appropriation		$ 200.00
Frank Hance	$ 83.30	
Hamilton Cregar	81.78	
Clapp's Service	9.15	
Lawrence Quinlan	1.50	
Avery's	8.96	
	$ 184.69	
Balance to Revenue	15.31	
		$ 200.00

Purchase of Road Machinery

Surplus Revenue		$ 7,750.00
Perkins Milton Co.	$ 1,550.00	
Clapp's Service	299.28	
Graves Equipment, Inc.	5,800.00	
	$ 7,649.28	
Balance to Surplus Revenue	100.72	
		$ 7,750.00

Purchase of Truck

Road Machinery Fund		$ 2,500.00
Spencer Bros.	$ 2,345.00	
Balance to Road Machinery Fund	155.00	
		$ 2,500.00

Highway Chapter 81

Appropriation		$ 22,750.00
Kenneth Miller	$ 1,451.10	
Henry Bassett	1,000.50	
Harold Clough	985.55	
Ronald Winship	665.65	
Wallace Stange	5.75	
George Smalley	711.00	
Robert Strange	782.00	
Orrin Carey	423.00	
Ernest Kenney	148.00	
Gerald Stebbins	133.00	
David Martin	311.00	
Ralph Holton	301.00	
William Walker, Jr.	70.15	
Edgar Livingston, Jr.	325.00	
William Strange	16.00	
David Quinn	2.00	
Paul Carpenter	5.00	
Floyd Dunnell, Jr.	4.00	
Norman Deane	169.00	
Robert Scott	224.00	
Town Trucks	2,217.00	
Town Tractor	395.00	
Town Grader	766.00	
Town Sander	16.50	
Town Scraper	9.60	
Leland Black	171.00	
Homer Browning	132.00	
Steven Siciak	1,426.00	
Melvin Miller	1,568.00	
Frank Anderson	1,038.00	
Sid Wolfram	385.00	
Kenneth Hall	10.50	
Horace Bolton	28.00	
N. W. S. & G. Co.	2,399.24	
Berger Metal Culvert Co.	198.39	
Lake Asphalt Co. of Mass.	871.68	
C. W. Woods	64.00	
J. Herbert Black	171.50	
American Tar Co.	1,493.29	

New England Metal Culvert Co.	515.20	
Chemical Corp.	199.57	
Jack Beaman	64.90	
Koppers Co.	868.29	
	$ 22,741.36	
Balance to Revenue	8.64	
		$ 22,750.00

Chapter 90 Construction

Appropriation		$ 8,000.00
Kenneth Miller	$ 448.80	
Henry Bassett	285.20	
Harold Clough	227.15	
Ronald Winship	235.75	
George Smalley	235.00	
David Martin	16.00	
Edgar Livingston, Jr.	48.00	
Robert Scott	8.00	
Gerald Stebbins	21.00	
Roy Herrick	9.20	
Orrin Carey	48.00	
Robert Strange	96.00	
Ralph Holton	16.00	
William Strange	40.00	
Town Trucks	579.00	
Town Grader	48.00	
Town Tractor	170.00	
Town Sander	4.00	
Town Power Saw	7.50	
George Wetherby	72.00	
Horace Bolton	56.00	
Steve Siciak	1,803.50	
Melvin Miller	432.50	
Frank Anderson	235.75	
N. W. S. & G. Co.	562.21	
American Tar Co.	559.86	
N. E. Culvert Co.	1,397.03	
Edwin Damon	45.00	
Herbert Black	81.10	
Warner Bros.	9.75	
Hamilton Cregar	93.96	
Mason Dixon Steel Co.	58.67	
	$ 7,999.93	
Balance to Revenue	.07	
		$ 8,000.00

Chapter 90 Pine Meadow Bridge

1954 Balance		$ 3,690.50
Kenneth Miller	$ 312.00	
Henry Bassett	248.40	
Harold Clough	165.60	
Ronald Winship	86.15	
William Walker, Jr.	82.80	
Eugene Hammond	27.60	
George Smalley	144.00	
Ernest Kenney	48.00	
Robert Strange	32.00	
Fred Voorhies	16.00	
Patsy Lapparoli	36.00	
Ralph Holton	24.00	
Town Trucks	441.00	
Town Tractor	165.00	
Town Cement Mixer	4.00	
Alex Kozlowski	58.80	
Sid Wolfram	224.00	
Steven Siciak	136.50	
N. W. S. & G. Co.	586.20	
Steve Puffer	408.00	
Melvin Miller	228.00	
Frank Anderson	216.00	
	$ 3,690.05	
Balance to Revenue	.45	
		$ 3,690.50

Chapter 90 Maintenance

Appropriation		$ 3,000.00
Kenneth Miller	$ 149.60	
Henry Bassett	73.60	
Harold Clough	82.80	
Ronald Winship	46.00	
George Smalley	58.00	
Robert Strange	63.00	
David Martin	64.00	
Norman Dean	8.00	
Robert Scott	68.00	
Orrin Carey	24.00	
Edgar Livingston, Jr.	79.00	
Ralph Holton	31.00	
Town Trucks	204.00	
Town Grader	22.00	
Town Tractor	100.00	
Town Sander	8.00	

Lake Asphalt Co.	38.72	
N. W. S. & G. Co.	506.25	
American Tar Co.	1,046.12	
Koppers Co.	279.89	
Frank Anderson	48.00	
	$ 2,999.98	
Balance to Revenue	.02	
		$ 3,000.00

Chapter 90 Storm Damage

Surplus Revenue		$ 8,000.00
Kenneth Miller	$ 530.40	
Henry Bassett	349.60	
Harold Clough	333.50	
Ronald Winship	311.65	
George Smalley	290.00	
Robert Strange	320.00	
David Martin	42.00	
Orrin Carey	186.00	
Robert Scott	106.00	
Edgar Livingston, Jr.	98.00	
Ralph Holton	16.00	
Gerald Stebbins	40.00	
William Strange	16.00	
Town Trucks	735.00	
Town Grader	240.00	
Town Power Saw	6.00	
Town Tractor	22.50	
Town Sander	20.00	
Town Hone	7.00	
Town Scraper	14.00	
American Tar Co.	1,382.10	
N. W. S. & G. Co.	1,279.41	
Herbert Black	22.70	
Lake Asphalt Co.	234.88	
Koppers Co.	703.12	
Steven Siciak	336.00	
Frank Anderson	87.00	
Melvin Miller	271.00	
	$ 7,999.86	
Balance to Surplus Revenue	.14	
		$ 8,000.00

Highway Improvement East Street

Appropriation		$ 2,000.00
Kenneth Miller	$ 108.80	

Henry Bassett	64.40	
Harold Clough	64.40	
Ronald Winship	36.80	
George Smalley	40.00	
Ernest Kenney	16.00	
Robert Strange	16.00	
Town Trucks	132.00	
Town Tractor	40.00	
N. W. S. & G. Co.	201.65	
Herbert Black	88.00	
N. E. Metal Culvert Co.	66.33	
Steven Siciak	566.50	
Horace Bolton	49.00	
Melvin Miller	42.00	
Frank Anderson	94.50	
	$ 1,626.38	
Balance to Revenue	373.62	
		$ 2,000.00

Railings

Appropriation		$ 900.00
Harold Clough	$ 18.40	
George Smalley	40.00	
Edgar Livingston	16.00	
Orrin Carey	8.00	
Norman Dean	8.00	
Robert Strange	36.00	
William Strange	31.00	
Ernest Kenney	28.00	
Town Truck	18.00	
Glossie Bentley	25.00	
Tropical Paint Co.	21.50	
N. E. Metal Culvert Co.	627.99	
Smead Lumber Co.	13.52	
	$ 891.41	
Balance to Revenue	8.59	
		$ 900.00

Bridges

Appropriation		$ 3,000.00
Kenneth Miller	$ 78.20	
Henry Bassett	73.60	
Harold Clough	75.90	
Ronald Winship	71.30	
George Smalley	49.00	

Ernest Kenney	42.50	
Ralph Holton	8.00	
Robert Scott	8.00	
Edgar Livingston, Jr.	16.00	
Gerald Stebbins	63.00	
Robert Strange	113.00	
Orrin Carey	8.00	
Eugene Miller	4.00	
William Strange	16.00	
William Durant	136.35	
Town Trucks	120.00	
Town Tractor	5.00	
Berger Metal Culvert Co.	301.57	
Smead Lumber Co.	45.77	
Henry Bassett	6.00	
William Durant	5.00	
Melvin Miller	215.80	
Morgan Garage	12.50	
N. W. S. & G. Co.	158.77	
J. L. Dunnell & Son	12.50	
Hamilton Cregar	34.09	
N. E. Metal Culvert Co.	963.32	
Panther Oil & Grease Co.	123.75	
	$ 2,760.92	
Balance to Revenue	239.08	
		$ 3,000.00

Sidewalk Repairs

Appropriation	$ 1,000.00	
Reserve	242.00	
		$ 1,242.00
Peter Yarmac		$ 1,242.00

Snow Removal

Appropriation	$ 5,500.00	
Reserve Fund	1,570.62	
		$ 7,070.62
Kenneth Miller	$ 667.60	
Henry Bassett	416.30	
Harold Clough	614.10	
Ronald Winship	111.45	
Homer Browning, Jr.	9.20	
Eugene Miller	4.60	
George Smalley	338.00	
Ernest Kenney	472.00	
Orrin Carey	95.00	
Ransom Kenney	9.00	

Robert Strange	32.00	
Town Trucks	1,225.50	
Town Sanders	219.00	
Town Tractor	37.50	
Town Fire Dept. Engine	4.50	
Chemical Corp.	693.00	
International Salt Co.	99.00	
Potter Grain Stores	75.00	
Leland Black	133.50	
Ellwyn Miller	52.50	
Glenn Murray	32.50	
N. W. S. & G. Co.	1,309.03	
Frank Hance	14.40	
Melvin Miller	300.00	
Frank Anderson	72.00	
Floyd Dunnell, Jr.	33.00	
Hamilton Cregar	.94	
		$ 7,070.62

Highway Work

Appropriation		$ 2,000.00
Kenneth Miller	$ 261.30	
Henry Bassett	169.05	
Harold Clough	127.65	
Ronald Winship	36.80	
George Smalley	155.00	
Ernest Kenney	122.00	
Floyd Dunnell	21.00	
Robert Strange	48.00	
Orrin Carey	16.00	
William Durant	19.50	
Town Trucks	346.50	
Town Sanders	4.00	
Town Fire Dept. Engine	4.50	
Town Grader	10.00	
Town Tractor	12.50	
Warner Bros.	41.84	
Skibiski Farm Produce	20.60	
C. W. Woods	9.00	
Hamilton Cregar	1.39	
Frank Anderson	60.00	
Melvin Miller	90.00	
N. W. S. & G. Co.	375.41	
	$ 1,999.27	
Balance to Revenue	.73	
		$ 2,000.00

Street Lights

Appropriation	$ 5,250.00	
Appropriation Woodruff Way	24.00	
Appropriation Turnpike and Commonwealth Aves.	72.00	
		$ 5,346.00
Western Mass. Electric Co.	5,302.00	
Balance to Revenue	44.00	
		$ 5,346.00

Highway Bounds, Surveys, Plans

Appropriation		$ 250.00
U. S. Treasury (Maps)	$ 27.00	
F. Deane Avery Associates	83.50	
	$ 110.50	
Balance to Revenue	139.50	
		$ 250.00

Highland Circuit Survey

Overlay Reserve		$ 300.00
F. Deane Avery Associates	$ 295.00	
Balance to Overlay Reserve	5.00	
		$ 300.00

Public Welfare Administration

Appropriation		$ 2,500.00
Shirley Kehl, salary	$ 1,760.10	
Shirley Kehl	69.07	
N. E. Tel. and Tel. Co.	46.39	
Postage	12.00	
Barrett & Baker	14.08	
Burroughs Corp.	18.00	
Johnson & Johnson	7.25	
Hobbs & Warren	3.52	
	$ 1,930.41	
Balance to Revenue	569.59	
		$ 2,500.00

General Relief

Appropriation	$ 5,000.00	
Transfer to A.D.C.	1,200.00	
		$ 3,800.00
Sundry persons	$ 1,746.99	
Balance to Revenue	2,053.01	
		$ 3,800.00

O.A.A.

Appropriation	$ 38,000.00	
Refunds	48.85	
		$ 38,048.85
Sundry persons	$ 35,223.81	
Balance to Revenue	2,825.04	
		$ 38,048.85

A.D.C.

Appropriation	$ 5,000.00	
Reserve Fund	630.00	
Refunds	50.95	
Transfer from G.R.	1,200.00	
		$ 6,880.95
Sundry persons	$ 6,486.41	
Balance to Revenue	394.54	
		$ 6,880.95

D.A.

Appropriation		$ 2,500.00
Sundry persons	$ 2,249.73	
Balance to Revenue	250.27	
		$ 2,500.00

Soldiers' Relief

Appropriation		$ 3,500.00
Sundry persons	$ 1,539.88	
Balance to Revenue	1,960.12	
		$ 3,500.00

School Committee

Appropriation		$ 300.00
Irving Lawrence	$ 100.00	
Roy Fish	100.00	
Evelyn True	91.67	
Louis Abbey	8.33	
		$ 300.00

Schools

Appropriation		$ 99,900.00
George Leonard	$ 4,566.64	
Evelyn Lawley	4,209.90	
M. Carleton Brown	3,803.28	
Conrad Bayley	3,126.64	
Nellie Dearstyne	3,756.64	
Eleanor Hammond	2,453.28	

Beryle Hammond	3,456.56
Jean Kozlowski	2,182.50
Barbara Baker	1,066.64
John Trumbull	966.64
Aaron Barnard	1,133.28
Dorothy Herrick	4,013.28
Hugh Hayden	1,986.56
Evelyn Parker	3,695.00
Mary Dalton	3,713.28
Virginia Haack	3,446.56
Rae Janson	1,733.75
Dorothea Holt	3,606.64
Ruth Bolton	3,626.68
Harvey Cadwell	1,106.64
Mary Brady	966.64
Mildred Rineer	9.00
Elizabeth Mayberry	81.00
Ruby North	144.00
Louisa Barclay	9.00
Mrs. R. Phelps	18.00
Esther Leonard	243.10
George Partridge	27.00
Harry Snow	27.00
Mrs. P. Smead	9.00
Bessie Moore	27.00
Ann Clark	27.00
Donald Westin	9.00
Edith Aldrich	9.00
Virginia Raymond	576.00
Esther Galbraith	388.80
Jeanette Rich	712.00
W. L. Rinehart	450.00
F. Sumner Turner	2,353.71
F. Sumner Turner, Travel	135.00
Jean McC. Smead	892.47
Marian Billings	650.00
John Spindler	2,611.92
John Ware	841.40
William Janes	802.40
Stephen Mastaler	50.00
The Northfield	11,597.50
Eugene Miller	4,590.02
Robert Dumbreck	1,327.86
James Dresser	754.74
Dr. F. Wilton Dean	300.00
Vocational Tuition—Greenfield	1,365.16
Civic Class Tuition—Greenfield	8.00

Mass. Audubon Society	107.82
Turners Falls Coal Co.—Fuel	949.24
Lodge Petroleum Co.—Fuel	1,047.08
C. W. Herrick—Fuel	16.00
McIntosh & Son —Fuel	176.00
Hamilton Cregar—Fuel	54.90
Western Mass. Electric Co.	977.93
Northfield Water Co.	104.94
New England Tel. & Tel. Co.	216.26
Row, Peterson & Co.—Textbooks	87.51
Wilcox & Follett—Textbooks	135.67
World Book Co.—Textbooks	309.72
American Book Co.—Textbooks	212.05
Ginn & Co.—Textbooks	211.30
Sundry persons—Textbooks	180.95
Cascade Paper Co.—New Equipment	561.42
Roberts Vacuum Cleaner Co.—New Equipment	158.75
Sundry persons—New Equipment	65.76
Cascade Paper Co.—Student Supplies	513.03
California Test Bureau—Student Supplies	128.13
Phillips Paper Co.—Student Supplies	66.16
Mainco Trading Co.—Student Supplies	113.28
Milton Bradley Co.—Student Supplies	66.51
Sundry persons—Student Supplies	270.76
Hamilton Cregar—Janitor Supplies	113.44
C. B. Dolge Co.—Janitor Supplies	109.74
Stanley Home Products—Janitor Supplies	77.00
Acme Chemical Co.—Janitor Supplies	56.43
Richard Smith, Inc.—Janitor Supplies	174.50
Sundry persons—Janitor Supplies	116.70
Paul Mayberry—Repairs	201.97
Hamilton Cregar—Repairs	62.85
Remington Rand—Repairs	94.27
George Corsiglia—Repairs	465.60
Franklin Sanitary Service—Repairs	220.00
Carlson-Powell, Inc.—Repairs	875.00
Sundry persons—Repairs	104.11
The Hubers	275.00
Com. of Mass.—Flag	7.85
Com. of Mass.—Inspection	30.00
Sundry persons—Freight	27.59
Athletic Trainers' Supply	88.10
Homon Sporting Goods	52.84
James W. Brine Co.	83.97
Sundry persons—Umpires	79.00
Leland Black	56.00
Mass. Ass'n School Committees	20.00

Rev. James White	25.00	
Sundry persons—Sundry Education	87.42	
	$ 99,898.66	
Balance to Revenue	1.34	
		$ 99,900.00

Lunch Room Remodelling

Overlay Reserve		$ 975.00
Vincent and Williams	$ 257.83	
George Corsiglia	717.17	
		$ 975.00

Adult Vocational Education

Appropriation		$ 700.00
Mrs. Adrian Savage	$ 100.00	
Sylvia Spencer	90.00	
Harriet Hawkes	65.38	
Ralph Sargent	200.00	
Ward's Stationers	3.70	
Mansfield Paper Co.	15.60	
N. E. Tel. & Tel. Co.	4.75	
Lodge Petroleum Co.	50.00	
McIntosh & Son	16.00	
John Spindler	129.00	
	$ 674.43	
Balance to Revenue	25.57	
		$ 700.00

P.V. Regional School Operating Budget and Interest

Appropriation Budget	$ 1,118.80	
Appropriation Interest	649.13	
		$ 1,767.93
P.V. Regional School District		$ 1,767.93

Northfield Farms Library

Appropriation		$ 150.00
Northfield Farms Library Association		$ 150.00

Dickinson Library

Appropriation		$ 5,300.00
Florence Phelps	$ 2,220.00	

Edna Barber	540.00	
Agda Huber	244.15	
Kathryn King	13.30	
Louise Reeves	5.00	
Evangeline Cook	632.68	
May Cook	24.00	
Gwendolyn Leavis	8.55	
Western Mass. Electric Co.	167.44	
N. E. Tel. & Tel. Co.	69.04	
F. M. Dunnell	458.08	
Edward Bolton	76.00	
Leavis & Bolton	121.19	
Alfred Holton	3.10	
Northfield Water Co.	12.00	
L. A. Barber	21.44	
C. B. Dolge Co.	21.86	
Elton Kinsman	50.00	
Demco Library Supplies	41.55	
The Bookstore	2.50	
Barrett & Baker	25.21	
C. H. Demond & Co.	6.20	
Tracy Burdick	6.75	
Phelps—Cash	12.00	
Am. Library Ass'n	6.00	
Library Book House	402.76	
J. Wesby	70.80	
Malcolm Parks	42.50	
Field Enterprises	1.50	
Children's Playtime Magazine	2.00	
Virginia Leach	1.00	
Nathaniel Dame	20.00	
Readers' Digest	4.00	
National Geographic	6.00	
Vocational Guidance	3.30	
H. W. Wilson Co.	5.60	
F. W. Faxon Co.	2.00	
		$ 5,300.00

Alexander Hall

Appropriation		$ 250.00
John Spindler	$ 120.00	
Paul Mayberry	17.00	
Percy Goodspeed	4.77	
Carrie J. Carr	57.32	
Avery's	3.81	
Hamilton Cregar	15.07	

L. J. Spaulding	10.00	
Wilson's, Inc.	15.03	
A. L. Goodrich	7.00	
		$ 250.00

Insurance

Appropriation		$ 4,000.00
Roy Fish	$ 133.06	
Powell Agency	2,956.69	
Colton's Agency	192.85	
	$ 3,282.60	
Balance to Revenue	717.40	
		$ 4,000.00

Interest

Appropriation		$ 200.00
Balance to Revenue		$ 200.00

Damages

Appropriation		$ 200.00
County of Franklin	$ 50.00	
Balance to Revenue	150.00	
		$ 200.00

Clock and Fountain

Appropriation	$ 150.00	
Reserve Fund	187.25	
		$ 337.25
Howard Clock Products	$ 225.00	
Willis Parker	75.00	
Northfield Water Co.	25.00	
Hamilton Cregar	4.25	
	$ 329.25	
Balance to Reserve Fund	8.00	
		$ 337.25

Town Reports and Valuation Lists

Appropriation		$ 1,700.00
E. A. Hall & Co.	$ 1,538.00	
Wm. Hoehn	25.00	
Ward's Stationers	1.20	

Postage	40.00	
	$ 1,604.20	
Balance to Revenue	95.80	
		$ 1,700.00

Tax Title Foreclosure Costs

Appropriation		$ 300.00
Balance to Revenue		$ 300.00

Protection Tax Title Property

Appropriation		$ 25.00
Balance to Revenue		$ 25.00

Memorial Day

Appropriation		$ 275.00
Emblem Flag Co.	$ 2.95	
Winthrop Spencer	15.75	
Avery's	32.40	
Alice Kenney	60.00	
Harold Lord	10.00	
Orange H. S. Band	125.00	
Wilson's, Inc.	20.90	
N. S. for Girls	5.02	
	$ 272.02	
Balance to Revenue	2.98	
		$ 275.00

Civil Defense

1954 Balance	$ 140.64	
Appropriation	100.00	
		$ 240.64
N. S. for Girls	$ 12.78	
Horace Field	1.25	
F. M. Dunnell	7.94	
Kidder & Co.	39.00	
	$ 60.97	
Balance to 1956	179.67	
		$ 240.64

Playground and Athletic Field

Appropriation		$ 400.00
John Ware	$ 98.00	
William Janes	40.00	
J. L. Dunnell & Son	5.50	
Walter Shaw	18.13	
Smead Lumber Co.	2.94	
Melvin Miller	56.00	
Hamilton Cregar	26.53	
Morgan Garage	11.56	
Spencer Bros.	4.48	
	$ 263.14	
Balance to Revenue	136.86	
		$ 400.00

Fish

Appropriation		$ 200.00
Cape Cod Trout Co.		$ 200.00

Repairs Discontinued School Buildings

Appropriation		$ 1,000.00
The Hubers	$ 750.00	
Balance to Revenue	250.00	
		$ 1,000.00

Repairs Roof Old Fire Station

Appropriation		$ 100.00
Leavis & Bolton	$ 98.40	
Balance to Overlay Reserve	1.60	
		$ 100.00

Reserve Fund

Overlay Reserve		$ 5,000.00
Town Clerk's expense	$ 75.00	
Town Hall	197.30	
Constables' pay and expense	13.17	
Fire Dept.	1,484.65	
Dutch Elm Control	122.34	
Dog Officer	43.85	
Inspection of Animals	8.98	
Sidewalk Repairs	242.00	
Snow Removal	1,570.62	
Aid to Dependent Children	630.00	

Clock and Fountain	187.25	
Cemeteries	34.90	
	$ 4,610.06	
Balance	389.94	
Unexpended balance Town Clerk's expense	16.20	
Unexpended balance Clock and Fountain	8.00	
Balance to Overlay Reserve	414.14	
		$ 5,000.00

World War II Memorial List

1954 Balance		$ 75.00
National Library Bindery Co.	$ 50.00	
Marion Given	18.00	
	$ 68.00	
Balance to Revenue	7.00	
		$ 75.00

World War II Memorial

Surplus Revenue		$ 950.00
Brown, Stevens, Fifield	$ 833.00	
Balance to Surplus Revenue	117.00	
		$ 950.00

Purchase Set Annotated Laws

Surplus Revenue		$ 130.00
John F. Doyle	$ 120.32	
Balance to Surplus Revenue	9.68	
		$ 130.00

Radio Communication System

Overlay Reserve		$ 1,500.00
Com. of Mass.	$ 1,474.00	
Balance to 1956	26.00	
		$ 1,500.00

Cemeteries

Appropriation	$ 1,500.00	
Reserve Fund	34.90	
		$ 1,534.90
Ernest Kenney	$ 991.10	
Philip Holton	12.60	
Carlton Holton	72.98	

John Hammond	10.60	
Ralph Holton	80.00	
Russell Fisher	11.00	
Northfield Water Co.	12.00	
C. V. R. R.	5.00	
William Hoehn	1.50	
Hamilton Cregar	10.06	
Potter Grain Stores	14.42	
G. O. Dunnell	6.90	
Stanley Johnson	5.72	
Johnson & Johnson	6.50	
Stearns Garage	14.54	
G. C. Buffum	3.17	
Kidder & Co.	44.98	
David Quinn	75.00	
Murray Hammond	6.30	
Smead Lumber Co.	87.50	
H. R. Blake	32.00	
William Stewart	31.03	
		$ 1,534.90

Cemetery Lots Filing System

1954 Balance		$ 227.25
Ernest Kenney	$ 12.00	
Balance to 1956	215.25	
		$ 227.25

Veterans' Grave Markers

Appropriation		$ 50.00
Emblem Flag Co.		$ 50.00

Fire Station Bond Maturing Debt and Interest

Appropriation		$ 4,404.00
Day Trust Co.—Bond	$ 3,000.00	
Day Trust Co.—Interest	1,404.00	
		$ 4,404.00

Fire Station and Town Garage

1954 Balance		$ 6,915.32
Thomas J. Gass Co.	$ 6,049.86	
Avery's	17.10	
Hamilton Cregar	16.28	
Smead Lumber Co.	143.02	

William Durant	200.10	
	$ 6,426.36	
Balance to 1956	488.96	
		$ 6,915.32

O.A.A. Administration — U.S.G.

Balance January 1, 1955	$ 835.02	
Receipts	1,217.82	
		$ 2,052.84
Shirley Kehl	$ 1,173.28	
Shirley Kehl, travel	45.26	
Thomas Hurley, postage	12.00	
Barrett & Baker	4.32	
N. E. Tel. & Tel. Co.	16.60	
U. C. S. of Boston	2.50	
P. W. Adm. Ass'n	3.00	
	$ 1,256.96	
Balance to 1956	795.88	
		$ 2,052.84

O.A.A. — U.S.G.

Balance January 1, 1955	$ 9,194.81	
Receipts	21,396.39	
Refunds	197.65	
Recovery	2.12	
		$ 30,790.97
Sundry persons	$ 20,318.44	
Balance to 1956	10,472.53	
		$ 30,790.97

A.D.C. Administration — U.S.G.

Balance January 1, 1955	$ 473.41	
Receipts	624.20	
		$ 1,097.61
Shirley Kehl	$ 586.64	
Shirley Kehl, travel	28.59	
N. E. Tel. & Tel. Co.	16.75	
Avery's	1.14	
Thomas Hurley, postage	6.00	
Remington Rand	14.30	
	$ 653.42	
Balance to 1956	444.19	
		$ 1,097.61

A.D.C. — U.S.G.

Balance January 1, 1955	$ 722.80	
Receipts	3,316.20	
		$ 4,039.00
Sundry persons	$ 3,599.65	
Balance to 1956	439.35	
		$ 4,039.00

D.A. Administration — U.S.G.

Balance January 1, 1955	$ 217.02	
Receipts	100.62	
		$ 317.64
Balance to 1956		$ 317.64

D.A. — U.S.G.

Balance January 1, 1955	$ 1,113.61	
Receipts	822.75	
Refund	28.20	
		$ 1,964.56
Sundry persons	$ 1,155.32	
Balance to 1956	809.24	
		$ 1,964.56

School Lunch

Balance January 1, 1955	$ 3,589.67	
Receipts	16,808.28	
		$ 20,397.95
General Baking Co.	$ 678.52	
Tenney Farms Dairy	4,854.79	
Cecil Wilson	321.68	
Robert Dumbreck	74.70	
G. Giovino Co.	397.78	
Berkshire Frosted Foods	3,224.43	
John Sexton & Co.	1,375.17	
Com. of Mass.	87.50	
Mark Aldrich	737.95	
George Leonard	8.00	
Sumner Turner	18.00	
Walter Kisloski	27.00	
Andrew Plotczyk	25.33	
Clarkdale Farms	28.75	
Way Foss	78.50	
Progressive Ideas, Inc.	471.16	
Holcomb Co.	38.25	
Cascade Paper Co.	34.53	

Ward's Stationers	10.88	
Reynolds Electric Corp.	8.22	
Hamilton S. Cregar	192.77	
Geo. Sheldon	32.00	
Edward Bolton	116.30	
Lindell's & Salter's Express	107.21	
Minnie Huber	1,771.00	
Susie Hillock	1,296.20	
Ruth Johnson	326.20	
Rose Huber	174.40	
Jennie Wozniak	128.00	
Hazel Stratton	13.20	
Martha Bigelow	55.50	
Donna Glazier	82.50	
Adriel Carpenter	28.00	
Sundry persons	14.50	
Beryle Hammond	3.42	
	$ 16,849.84	
Balance to 1956	3,548.11	
		$ 20,397.95

School Athletics

Balance January 1, 1955	$ 137.10	
Receipts	411.50	
		$ 548.60
The Northfield	$ 170.00	
Lawton Dry Cleaners	34.15	
Athletic Trainers' Supply	46.02	
Sundry persons, Referees	202.00	
	$ 452.17	
Balance to 1956	96.43	
		$ 548.60

Smith-Hughes-Barden Fund

Balance January 1, 1955	$ 334.62	
Receipts	200.00	
		$ 534.62
Mrs. Sylvia Spencer	$ 100.00	
Mrs. Adrian Savage	200.00	
Miss Harriet Hawkes	34.62	
	$ 334.62	
Balance to 1956	200.00	
		$ 534.62

Belcher Library Fund

Balance January 1, 1955	$ 349.36	
Interest	190.03	
		$ 539.39
Leavis & Bolton	$ 277.92	
Balance to 1956	261.47	
		$ 539.39

Dickinson Book Fund

Balance January 1, 1955	$ 54.58	
Interest	79.26	
		$ 133.84
Library Book House		$ 133.84

P.C. Center, Mt. H., So. Mt.

Balance January 1, 1955	$ 321.71	
Interest	386.42	
		$ 708.13
Ernest Kenney	$ 255.20	
Melvin Miller	16.00	
Elton Kinsman	22.60	
	$ 293.80	
Balance to 1956	414.33	
		$ 708.13

P.C. Northfield Farms

Balance January 1, 1955	$ 55.44	
Interest	90.42	
		$ 145.86
William Stewart	$ 50.63	
Murray Hammond	42.05	
Merle Jones	19.00	
Dana Clough, Jr.	3.00	
Leslie Rice	17.25	
Thomas Russell, Sr.	2.00	
Kidder & Co.	11.76	
	$ 145.69	
Balance to 1956	.17	
		$ 145.86

P.C. West Northfield

Balance January 1, 1955	$ 211.20	
Interest	231.37	
		$ 442.57
W. F. Hoehn	$ 2.00	
A. W. Higgins	61.50	
David Gibson	38.67	
Rita Gibson	17.85	
Carlton Holton	10.00	
Ruth Holton	44.00	
Elton Kinsman	6.50	
Kidder & Co.	85.07	
	$ 265.59	
Balance to 1956	176.98	
		$ 442.57

Mary Callender Cemetery Fund

Balance January 1, 1955	$ 56.68	
Interest	15.11	
		$ 71.79
David Quinn	$ 40.00	
Balance to 1956	31.79	
		$ 71.79

Calvin Stearns Cemetery Fund

Balance January 1, 1955	$ 31.48	
Interest	15.11	
		$ 46.59
David Quinn	$ 28.07	
Balance to 1956	18.52	
		$ 46.59

Recapitulation

	Appropriation	Payments	Balance
Moderator	$ 25.00	$ 25.00	——
Selectmen & Welfare Board	1,200.00	1,200.00	——
Selectmen's expense	250.00	216.28	$ 33.72
Accountant	950.00	950.00	——
Accountant's expense	75.00	75.00	——
Legal expense	250.00	250.00	——
Tax Collector	750.00	750.00	——
Tax Collector's expense	500.00	492.70	7.30
Treasurer	900.00	900.00	——
Treasurer's expense	400.00	400.00	——
Assessors & Clerk	1,400.00	1,400.00	——
Assessors' expense	225.00	214.38	10.62
Town Clerk	500.00	500.00	——
Election & Registration	950.00	912.88	37.12
Town Hall	4,997.30	4,997.30	——
Constables	763.17	763.17	——
Constable Uniforms	252.00	252.00	——
Fire Dept.	4,484.65	4,484.65	——
Hydrants	400.00	400.00	——
Waterholes	400.00	400.00	——
Maintenance Fire Station	1,500.00	1,089.50	410.50
Fire Truck	17,000.00	17,000.00	——
Fire Hose & Portable Pump	1,000.00	1,000.00	——
Public Safety	25.00	25.00	——
Wire Inspector	50.00	——	50.00
Sealer Weights & Measures	150.00	150.00	——
Sealer's expense	25.00	25.00	——
Gypsy Moth	650.00	649.55	.45
Dutch Elm	872.34	872.34	——
Tree Warden	600.00	599.62	.38
Dog Officer	193.85	193.85	——
Health	1,300.00	971.44	328.56
Nurse & Substitute	2,750.00	2,750.00	——
Nurse's expense	75.00	61.15	13.85
Nurse's Car expense	500.00	296.53	203.47

	Appropriation	Payments	Balance
Inspection of Animals	183.98	183.98	——
Inspection of Meat & Slaughter	50.00	25.00	25.00
Tools	200.00	184.69	15.31
Chapter 81	22,750.00	22,741.36	8.64
Chapter 90 Construction	8,000.00	7,999.93	.07
Chapter 90 Pine Meadow Bridge	3,690.50	3,690.05	.45
Chapter 90 Maintenance	3,000.00	2,999.98	.02
East Street Improvement	2,000.00	1,626.38	373.62
Railings	900.00	891.41	8.59
Bridges	3,000.00	2,760.92	239.08
Sidewalk Repairs	1,242.00	1,242.00	——
Snow Removal	7,070.62	7,070.62	——
Highway Work	2,000.00	1,999.27	.73
Street Lights	5,346.00	5,302.00	44.00
Highway Bounds, Surveys, Plans	250.00	110.50	139.50
P. W. Administration	2,500.00	1,930.41	569.59
General Relief	3,800.00	1,746.99	2,053.01
O.A.A.	38,048.85	35,223.81	2,825.04
A.D.C.	6,880.95	6,486.41	394.54
D.A.	2,500.00	2,249.73	250.27
Soldiers' Relief	3,500.00	1,539.88	1,960.12
School Committee	300.00	300.00	——
Schools	99,900.00	99,898.66	1.34
School Lunch Remodeling	975.00	975.00	——
Adult Vocational	700.00	674.43	25.57
P.V. Regional School Operating Budget and Interest	1,767.93	1,767.93	——
Northfield Farms Library	150.00	150.00	——
Dickinson Library	5,300.00	5,300.00	——
Alexander Hall	250.00	250.00	——
Insurance	4,000.00	3,282.60	717.40
Interest	200.00	——	200.00
Damages	200.00	50.00	150.00
Town Reports & Valuation Lists	1,700.00	1,604.20	95.80
Tax Title Foreclosure Costs	300.00	——	300.00
Protection Tax Title Property	25.00	——	25.00
Memorial Day	275.00	272.02	2.98
Playground & Athletic Field	400.00	263.14	136.86

	Appropriation	Payments	Balance
Fish	200.00	200.00	——
Repairs to Discontinued Schoolhouses	1,000.00	750.00	250.00
W. W. II List & expenses	75.00	68.00	7.00
Cemeteries	1,534.90	1,534.90	——
Grave Markers	50.00	50.00	——
Fire Station Bond & Interest	4,404.00	4,404.00	——
Unexpended Balances to Revenue			
Machinery Maintenance	5,500.00	4,880.43	619.57
Purchase Truck	2,500.00	2,345.00	155.00
Unexpended Balances to Road Machinery Fund			
Town Clerk's expense	155.00	138.80	16.20
Highland Circuit Survey	300.00	295.00	5.00
Clock and Fountain	337.25	329.25	8.00
Repairs Roof of Old Fire Station	100.00	98.40	1.60
Reserve Fund	5,000.00	4,610.06	389.94
Balances to Overlay Reserve			
Purchase of Road Machinery	7,750.00	7,649.28	100.72
Chapter 90 Storm Damage	8,000.00	7,999.86	.14
W. W. II Memorial	950.00	833.00	117.00
Annotated Laws	130.00	120.32	9.68
Balances to Surplus Revenue			
Civil Defense	240.64	60.97	179.67
Two Way Radio Communication	1,500.00	1,474.00	26.00
Cemetery Lots Filing System	227.25	12.00	215.25
Fire Station & Town Garage	6,915.32	6,426.36	488.96
Balances to 1956			
Refunds on Taxes		969.06	
Costs on Taxes		104.25	
O.A.A. Adm. U.S.G.		1,256.96	
O.A.A. Adm. U.S.G.		20,318.44	
A.D.C. Adm. U.S.G.		653.42	
A.D.C. Adm. U.S.G.		3,599.65	
D.A. Adm. U.S.G.		1,155.32	
School Lunch		16,849.84	
School Athletics		452.17	
Dog Licenses		662.40	
Federal Withholding Taxes		12,419.00	

	Appropriation	Payments	Balance
County Retirement Deductions		1,586.33	
Mass. Hospital Service		1,454.70	
State Parks & Reservations		337.57	
State Audit		893.46	
U. S. Bond Interest		250.00	
Veterans' Service Center		762.12	
County Retirement System		1,815.10	
County Tax		9,605.06	
County Dog Officer		202.00	
Wild Cat Bounty		50.00	
Belcher Library Fund Interest		277.92	
Dickinson Book Fund Interest		133.84	
P.C. Center, Mt. H., So. Mt.		293.80	
P.C. Northfield Farms		145.69	
P.C. West Northfield		265.59	
P.C. Mary Callender Fund Interest		40.00	
P.C. Calvin Stearns Fund Interest		28.07	
Smith-Hughes-Barden Fund		334.62	
Trust Funds		450.00	
Total cash payments by warrants		$385,096.59	
Cash on hand December 31, 1955		112,832.63	
		$497,929.22	

BALANCE SHEET, TOWN OF NORTHFIELD

DECEMBER 31, 1955

Assets

Cash		$112,832.63
Accounts Receivable		
Taxes		
Levy of 1951		
Real Estate		54.00
Levy of 1952		
Real Estate		139.40
Levy of 1953		
Personal Property	$ 16.00	
Real Estate	579.40	595.40
Levy of 1954		
Polls	44.00	
Personal Property	730.93	
Real Estate	5,842.78	6,617.71
Levy of 1955		
Polls	180.00	
Personal Property	2,361.00	
Real Estate	14,442.43	16,983.43

Liabilities and Reserves

Pay Roll Deductions		
Federal Taxes	$ 1,093.60	
County Retirement	193.88	$ 1,287.48
County—Dog Licenses		3.60
Tailings		275.38
Trust Funds Income		
Elisha Alexander Charity	515.01	
George Morgan Charity	222.49	
Roselle Evans Worthy Poor	127.74	
Belcher Center School	74.38	
Belcher Library	261.47	
Montague Library	54.47	
P.C. Center, Mt. Hermon, So. Mt. Cemetery	414.33	
P.C. Northfield Farms	.17	
P.C. West Northfield	176.98	
P.C. Mary Callender	31.79	
P.C. Calvin Stearns	18.52	1,897.35
O.A.A. Recovery		5,460.97
Federal Grants		
O.A.A. Adm.	795.88	
O.A.A. Assistance	10,472.53	

Motor Vehicle & Trailer Excise		
Levy of 1954	1,992.92	
Levy of 1955	5,199.20	7,192.12
Tax Title & Possessions		
Tax Title	4,334.84	
Tax Possessions	417.66	4,752.50
Departmental		
Sidewalks	112.38	
O.A.A.	6.38	
A.D.C.	1,150.99	
Schools	261.30	1,531.05
Aid to Highways		
State	25,309.00	
County	2,000.00	27,309.00
A.D.C. Adm.	444.19	
A.D.C. Assistance	439.35	
D.A. Adm.	317.64	
D.A. Assistance	809.24	
Smith-Hughes-Barden Vocational	200.00	13,478.83
Revolving Funds		
School Lunch	3,548.11	
School Athletics	96.43	3,644.54
Appropriation Balances		
Civil Defense	179.67	
Radio Communications	26.00	
Cemetery Filing System	215.25	
Fire Station & Town Garage	488.96	
Sale of Real Estate		1,260.00
Sale of Cemetery Lots		1,705.12
Road Machinery Fund		9,052.36
Gypsy Moth		330.56
Overlay Reserve		7,684.44
Overlays Reserved for Abatements		
1951 Overlay	54.00	
1952 Overlay	139.40	
1953 Overlay	595.40	
1954 Overlay	2,900.14	
1955 Overlay	3,806.47	7,495.41

		Revenue Reserved until Collected		
		M.V. & Trailer Excise	7,192.12	
		Tax Title & Possessions	4,752.50	
		Departmental	1,531.05	
		State & County Aid to Hwy.	27,309.00	40,784.67
		Overestimates of 1955		
		State Parks & Reservations	46.19	
		County Tax	139.94	186.13
		Surplus Revenue		82,549.42
	$178,007.24			$178,007.24

Debt Account			
Net Funded or Fixed Debt	$ 57,000.00	Fire Station and Town Garage Loan	$ 57,000.00

TRUST AND INVESTMENT ACCOUNTS

Trust & Investment Funds		Elisha Alexander Charity Fund	$ 2,020.00
In Custody of Treasurer	$ 62,609.55	Martha Alexander Charity Fund	9,421.71
In Custody of Selectmen	2,323.00	Lottie Evans Charity Fund	900.56
In Custody of Trustees	9,421.71	George F. Morgan Charity Fund	3,000.00
In Custody of Cemetery Commissioners	203.50	Rosella Evans Worthy Poor Fund	500.00
		Surplus Revenue School Fund	1,600.00
		Belcher Center School Fund	1,250.00
		Belcher Library Fund	9,739.01
		Dickinson Book Fund	3,000.00
		Montague Library Fund	2,000.00

Cowles Cemetery Fund	2,000.00
Belcher Cemetery Fund	2,000.00
Calvin Stearns Cemetery Fund	500.00
Mary Callender Cemetery Fund	500.00
West Northfield Cemetery Funds	8,670.00
P.C. Cemetery Funds	
In Custody of Treasurer	13,664.75
In Custody of Selectmen	303.00
In Custody of Cemetery Com.	203.50
Post War Rehabilitation Fund	13,285.23
$ 74,557.76	$ 74,557.76

STATE AUDIT, TOWN OF NORTHFIELD

Balance Sheet — December 31, 1954

GENERAL ACCOUNTS

Assets

Cash		$147,276.34
Accounts Receivable:		
Taxes:		
Levy of 1951:		
Real Estate		147.00
Levy of 1952:		
Personal Property	$ 81.30	
Real Estate	623.10	
		704.40
Levy of 1953:		
Poll	$ 14.00	
Personal Property	182.08	
Real Estate	5,325.64	
		5,521.72

Liabilities and Reserves

Employees' Payroll Deductions:		
Federal Taxes	$ 969.92	
County Retirement System	134.28	
		$ 1,104.20
Sale of Dog—Due County		3.00
Tailings—Unclaimed Checks		275.38
Trust Fund Income:		
Elisha Alexander Charity Fund	$ 454.41	
George F. Morgan Charity Fund	131.81	
Roselle Evans Charity Fund	112.63	
Belcher Center School Fund	40.15	
Belcher Library Fund	349.36	
Maude Montague Library Fund	4.47	
Charles P. Dickinson Library Book Fund	54.58	

Levy of 1954:		
Poll	$ 116.00	
Personal Property	2,498.61	
Real Estate	15,217.51	
		17,832.12
Motor Vehicle and Trailer Excise:		
Levy of 1952	$ 34.50	
Levy of 1953	1,363.69	
Levy of 1954	4,347.32	
		5,745.51
Tax Titles and Possessions:		
Tax Titles	$ 3,918.74	
Tax Possessions	417.66	
		4,336.40
Departmental:		
Sidewalk Construction	$ 162.38	
Aid to Dependent Children	738.69	
Old Age Assistance	91.07	
Veterans' Services	60.17	
Schools	702.00	
		1,754.31

Cemetery Perpetual Care Funds	321.71	
West Northfield Cemetery Fund	211.20	
Northfield Farms Cemetery Fund	55.44	
Mary H. Callender Cemetery Fund	56.68	
Calvin Stearns Cemetery Fund	31.48	
		1,823.92
Federal Grants:		
Disability Assistance:		
Administration	$ 217.02	
Assistance	1,113.61	
Aid to Dependent Children:		
Administration	473.41	
Assistance	722.80	
Old Age Assistance:		
Administration	835.02	
Assistance	9,194.81	
Vocational Education:		
Smith-Hughes, George Barden Fund	334.62	
		12,891.29

Aid to Highways:		
State	$ 16,672.27	
County	6,000.00	
		22,672.27
Overdrawn Accounts:		
Due From County:		
Wildcat Bounty	$ 20.00	
Dog Officer Expense	6.50	
		26.50
Underestimate 1954 Assessments:		
Gypsy and Brown Tail Moth		330.56

Revolving Funds:		
School Lunch	$ 3,589.67	
School Athletics	137.10	
		3,726.77
Appropriation Balances:		
General:		
Fire Truck	$ 17,000.00	
Chapter 90 Bridge — Pine Meadow	3,690.50	
Civil Defense	140.64	
World War II Memorial List	75.00	
Cemetery Lots Filing System	227.25	
Non-Revenue:		
Fire Station and Garage	6,915.32	
		28,048.71
Overestimates 1954 Assessments:		
State Recreation Areas	$ 1.70	
County Tax	1,488.14	
		1,489.84
Sale of Real Estate Fund		1,260.00
Sale of Cemetery Lots Fund		1,585.12
Road Machinery Fund		7,486.44
Reserve Fund—Overlay Surplus		10,858.88

	Overlays Reserved for Abatements:		
	Levy of 1951	$ 147.00	
	Levy of 1952	704.40	
	Levy of 1953	4,423.62	
	Levy of 1954	2,914.64	
			8,189.66
	Revenue Reserved Until Collected:		
	Motor Vehicle and Trailer Excise	$ 5,745.51	
	Tax Title and Possession	4,336.40	
	Departmental	1,754.31	
	Aid to Highway	22,672.27	
			34,508.49
	Surplus Revenue		93,095.43
$206,347.13			$206,347.13

DEBT ACCOUNTS

Net Funded or Fixed Debt	$ 60,000.00	Fire Station and Garage Loan	$ 60,000.00

TRUST AND INVESTMENT ACCOUNTS

Trust and Investment Funds:	
Cash and Securities:	
In Custody of Treasurer	$ 61,810.77
In Custody of Selectmen	2,323.00
In Custody of Trustees	9,421.71
In Custody of Cemetery Commissioners	203.50

In Custody of Treasurer:

Lottie Evans Charity Fund	$ 888.35	
George F. Morgan Charity Fund	3,000.00	
Roselle Evans Charity Fund	500.00	
Surplus Revenue School Fund	1,600.00	
Belcher Center School Fund	1,250.00	
Belcher Library Fund	9,739.01	
Charles P. Dickinson Library Book Fund	3,000.00	
Maude Montague Library Fund	2,000.00	
James W. Cowles Cemetery Fund	2,000.00	
Belcher Center Cemetery Fund	2,000.00	
Calvin Stearns Cemetery Fund	500.00	
Mary H. Callender Cemetery Fund	500.00	
West Northfield Cemetery Fund	8,470.00	
Cemetery Perpetual Care Funds	13,414.75	
Post-War Rehabilitation Fund	12,948.66	
		$ 61,810.77

In Custody of Selectmen:

Elisha Alexander Charity Fund	$ 2,020.00	
Cemetery Perpetual Care Funds	303.00	
		2,323.00

	In Custody of Trustees:	
	Martha W. Alexander Charity Fund	9,421.71
	In Custody of Cemetery Commissioners:	
	Cemetery Perpetual Care Funds	203.50
$ 73,758.98		$ 73,758.98

DICKINSON LIBRARY REPORT

During the library year 1955-6, the Board of Trustees of the Dickinson Memorial Library consisted of the following members: Mrs. Louise M. Reeves, Chairman; Mrs. Jean P. Hatheway; Mrs. Lillian G. Wells; Mr. Luman A. Barber; Mr. Horace H. Morse, Secretary; and Mr. Winthrop W. Sanderson.

At the town meeting of February 7, 1955, Mrs. Jean P. Hatheway and Mr. Horace H. Morse were elected to the Library Board to serve for three years.

In April Mrs. Frederick G. Huber resigned as assistant-librarian. Mrs. David C. Cook was appointed in her place and has been doing excellent work.

At the beginning of last year iron railings were placed at the entrance to the Library and have improved its appearance and afforded a safer approach to the building. Under the Dickinson Memorial Plaque new shelves have been installed and give much needed space for the display of books. A rotating globe of the world is a recent and most useful addition to the equipment of the reference department.

The Librarian's Report states too modestly the increasing use and appreciation of the Library. For many years the Trustees have managed never to expand more than the budget which the Town has voted for the Library, but with steadily increasing expenses for salaries, books, materials, and repairs, they have had to ask for larger sums almost every year. These the Town has granted and consequently the activities of the Library have been expanded, the building has been well cared for, and the excellent and experienced service of the staff retained. By the continuance of this policy we may expect the Library to seize the opportunities and meet the needs of a modern community.

LOUISE M. REEVES, Chairman
HORACE H. MORSE, Secretary

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT

Report of the librarian to the trustees of the Dickinson Memorial Library, for the year 1955.

The total circulation of books, magazines, etc., at the library, for the year 1955, shows an increase of 1730 over the preceding year, and an increase of 3369 in the past two years.

Circulation distributed as follows:

Books, adult fiction	8,520
Books, adult non-fiction	3,249
Books, juvenile fiction	7,864
Books, juvenile non-fiction	2,259
Magazines, adult	1,458
Magazines, juvenile	400
Interlibrary loan, books	19
Bookmobile books, adult	2,063
Bookmobile books, juvenile	1,174
	27,006

Total number of books added to the library by gift and purchase, follows:

Purchased, adult fiction	119
Purchased, adult non-fiction	61
Purchased, juvenile fiction	47
Purchased, juvenile non-fiction	28
	255
Gifts, adult fiction	62
Gifts, adult non-fiction	150
Gifts, juvenile fiction	19
Gifts, juvenile non-fiction	8
	239
Total	494

A substantial increase in book prices, as well as in supplies, rebinding, etc., meant that fewer books could be purchased this year.

During the year, the Regional Library Center of Greenfield, through the bookmobile, loaned a total of 1648 volumes, which included 8 in the Polish language. These figures do not include books left at the Field Library and in West Northfield as formerly, only those left at the library. Nineteen books not available at the Center, which were requested by patrons, were obtained from Boston or other State libraries, on interlibrary loan.

Fines on overdue books and magazines, and charges for damaged or lost books were collected and paid to the town treasurer, Mr. Charles Slate, to the amount of $243.30.

Resident registrations are now 937 and 16 non-residents paid $1.00 for the use of the library for one year.

Twenty-eight children, from grades 3 through 8, entered the Summer Reading Contest held in July and August. A total of 268 books, an average of 9.5 per person, were read during the six week period. A party was given by Mrs. Phelps, librarian, at the library, on Monday afternoon, Aug. 15, for all contestants. Games were played and books awarded as prizes to the following winners: Stephen St. Clair, Amy St. Clair, Betsey Glazier, Brenda Billings, Joyce Roberts, and Beverly Phelps.

Some of the exhibits put on by the librarian during the year were:

Girl Scouts. Basketry.
Evelyn Parker. Unusual and interesting postcards.
Fortnightly. Afghans knitted for the Veteran's Service Committee.
United Nations Day.
National Education and National Book Week.

Running concurrently during Book Week was a special exhibit of 36 posters made by the art students of Mrs. Jeanette Rich, art teacher in our public schools, 6th through 12th grade.

An exhibit, loaned by Mrs. Wayne B. Wells, consisted of a fine collection of Japanese wood-block prints, footwear, silverware, and other articles, including many fine snapshots taken in Japan by her son, David Wells.

On Oct. 5th, Miss Gwendolyn Vannah, children's librarian from the Regional Library Center, showed the film, "And now Miguel," to 40 children from the 5th grade, Center School, Mrs. Evelyn Parker, teacher. The film was shown in the auditorium on the second floor, at 9:30 in the morning.

The beautiful Italian marble bust of a child, entitled "Don't touch me," presented to the library by Mr. Walter Hallam, now stands on the top of the new shelving unit mentioned in Mr. Morse's report.

At present the library subscribes to 15 magazines, and 21 are given to the library for circulation. Many of these are used as reference material by the students for school projects and class assignments.

The most outstanding gifts of books in 1955 were made by the following persons: Mrs. Evelyn Parker, Mr. Richard Aldrich of New York City, The Newton Library, Miss Olive Horne, Mrs. George Granger, Mrs. Alice M. Seeley, Mr. Philip Payne, Mrs. Harvey Hatheway, Mrs. Virginia Haack, Mrs. Dan Sutherland, Northfield School for Girls and Dr. Albert C. Fulton.

The librarians wish to thank the trustees for their help and cooperation during the year.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. FLORENCE H. PHELPS,
Librarian.

FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT

The Fire Department has experienced another busy year. Although we answered only 46 calls this year as compared to 51 calls during 1954, our entire year has been occupied by extra activities.

The new Maxim Fire Truck was delivered on the first of January. As it was new and different in operation and detail, many hours were spent learning the operation and maintenance of the truck. Final acceptance of the truck was made on February 15 by the purchasing committee, Howard William, Dwight Stearns and F. M. Dennell, Jr.

Our first regular meeting in the new Fire Station was February 3. Much time was consumed in moving our equipment to the new quarters.

Also in February an invitation was extended to our townspeople, firemen of neighboring towns and other interested persons to attend the Open House of the New Fire Station and a public demonstration of the new Maxim Fire Truck on March 6. A considerable number of people turned out for the occasion in spite of the bad weather.

Early in the Spring we answered about our usual number of grass and brush fire calls with several of them reaching serious proportions.

Because of our heavy wind and rain storms during the summer and early fall we answered six calls for burning wires downed by the wind or falling limbs and trees.

Late in July another 20 hour Fireman's Training Program was conducted. Under this course the Dept. of Education furnished us with an approved instructor, Capt. Leslie Ackerman of the Greenfield Fire Department.

Because of the rain during the Fall, brush and grass fires were at a minimum.

Late in November and during December we answered numerous calls for chimney fires and flooded oil burners. I want to emphasize at this time the need for proper care and maintenance of your heating apparatus.

During the year much work has been accomplished by the Special Radio Committee of the Tri State Fire Mutual Aid Association toward the completion of a Two way Radio System between this town and the other 42 towns, cities and districts under Mutual Aid. This system should be in full operation by late Spring 1956.

And so, another year has passed along, leaving us with several memorable fires we shall not forget. These are the building fires. These are the fires most of us keep talking about. Surely, we feel sorry for the other fellow who neglected his heating apparatus or overloaded his electrical circuits. We feel sorry for the families who are not adequately protected by insurance. We feel sorry for the person who has lost many personal effects that money will not be able to purchase. But stop right now and think, this could happen to your own home, caused by your own chimney, your own heating apparatus or your own appliances. This possibly could be more than your personal belongings, such as a loved one's life. Just remember don't give fire a place to start.

In conclusion, the following is a breakdown of the fire calls received and answered during 1955:

Chimney Fires	9
Brush and Grass	15
Building	6
Automobile	2
Flooded Oil Burners	5
Burning Wires	6
Mutual Aid	1
Sundry	2
Total fires	46

Respectfully submitted,

FLOYD M. DUNNELL, JR.,
Fire Chief.

FOREST FIRE WARDEN

During the year there were 786 burning permits issued. I would like to remind the townspeople of the state requirement of obtaining a permit for all outdoor fires. All permits are recorded and filed.

The town of Northfield is observed for fires by three state forest fire towers, and when a fire is spotted a call is made to the local fire warden, who checks on issued permits. If no permit has been issued for that time and location, the Fire Department responds. Many times this response is unnecessary as well as an expense to the town, because someone thought that a small fire would not be observed.

Concluding my report, I would like to emphasize the fact that sometime someone's property may be in need of our fire fighters when they are out answering an unnecessary call because someone neglected to obtain a permit.

There were 15 grass and brush fires extinguished during the year.

Respectfully submitted,

DWIGHT P. STEARNS
Forest Fire Warden

TREE WARDEN REPORT

To the Selectmen and Citizens of the Town of Northfield:

I hereby submit my report as Tree Warden for the year ending December 31, 1955.

During the past year more than 25 trees were removed from our streets and highways also a number were trimmed. We were also out during all the high wind storms and electrical showers.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank Mr. Patch and his crew from the Western Massachusetts Electric Co. for all the help they have given me the past year.

Respectfully submitted
KENNETH L. MILLER
Tree Warden

MOTH SUPERINTENDENT REPORT

To the Selectmen and Citizens of the Town of Northfield:

I herewith submit my report as Moth Superintendent for the year ending December 31, 1955.

I would like to thank the Western Massachusetts Electric Company, and the residents of the Town of Northfield for helping us with some of the activities. I would also like to thank Mr. Kenneth Miller, the Tree Warden of Northfield, for his co-operation in helping to remove some of the diseased elm trees.

During the past year there were 89 samples taken and sent to the University of Massachusetts in Amherst for culture. The results were as follows:

81 had Dutch Elm Disease
7 Sterile
1 Cephalposprium

In West Northfield 9 elms were affected, with 13 in East Northfield, 25 in Northfield, and 34 in Northfield

Farms. There may possibly be 15 more trees that are diseased. Samples were not taken due to running out of funds.

There were twenty Dutch Elm Trees that were cut and disposed of by burning, leaving 61 diseased trees and possibly 15 more that should be taken care of by April, 1956, in order to check the disease from spreading to other trees. There were 31 large Elm trees trimmed of dead wood and broken branches which we removed and burned.

A total of 600 gallons of 12% and 6% solution of DDT was used to spray all Elm trees to control the leaf-eating insects and the Elm bark beetles which are known to spread the disease. The DDT material was bought by the town and put out on hourly basis. We find this method to be a cheaper and more thorough spraying program.

GYPSY MOTHS

Under the aerial spraying program conducted, the year 1954 apparently proved successful as there was no defoliation found this year. This year we spent two days afield, happy to report we found no infested areas of Gypsy Moths. A closer check should be kept this spring and fall so if we have any defoliation it can be taken care of by spot spraying these areas so as to keep it from spreading.

Respectfully submitted,

JOSEPH S. BILMON

Report of Public Health Nurse

I herewith submit my second annual report as Public Health Nurse.

The annual Well Child Conference was held in June with Dr. Anthony Stone of Athol as examining pediatrician. Due to the large number of children desiring appointments the clinic was extended one and a half days beyond the usual three. Members of the Health Council, as sponsored by the Fortnightly, assisted in making appointments, providing transportation, and clerical work.

Two children, a boy and a girl, attended the Greenfield Health Camp during the months of July and August.

One case of poliomyelitis was diagnosed in Northfield this year. It was non-paralytic, occurring in November.

Eighty-nine children were seen at the Crippled Children's Clinic held monthly at Center School.

The Kiwanis Club made it possible for several needy children to receive dental care.

Through the kindness of several organizations food, clothing, and money was collected for a family who was burned out. Christmas gifts were also made available.

This year it was decided to increase the fee for nursing visits to $1. for local residents. Summer visitors will be charged at the rate of $1.50 per visit. Those needing transportation for emergencies, will be charged at the rate of 10¢ per mile.

A diabetic clinic was held in November with 29 residents participating. Specimens were examined for sugar and only one found with a slight trace, which was referred to the family physician.

The local Grange sponsored the Red Cross Blood Bank on November 18 and collected 61 pints of whole blood from 65 possible donors. Local doctors and nurses volunteered their time, as well as the Public Health Nurse.

In January a few people from Northfield donated to the Turners Falls Blood Bank.

Sixty-nine children were vaccinated with Salk vaccine as a preventive against paralytic poliomyelitis. There were 104 eligible children but due to the prevalence of adverse publicity there were many cancellations. Dr. Dean administered the shots assisted by Mrs. Billings and members of the Health Council. At this time it is uncertain whether the program will be continued this year.

During the year 6 in-service lectures were attended by your nurse as well as several conferences with the Public Health Supervisor. A two-day Maternity Institute in Holyoke was also attended.

The following is a summary of my work:

Non-communicable cases	1,024
Tuberculosis follow-ups	43
Infant	36
Acute cases	47
Antipartum	10
Postpartum	8
Transportation to Hospital and Drs. offices	24
Taken home from school, ill	22
Total visits made	1,214
Total fees collected	$636.25

Respectfully submitted,

MARIAN BILLINGS, R.N.
Public Health Nurse

Cemetery Commissioners' Report

The cemeteries of Northfield have had their usual care during the past year. The front fence at the Farms cemetery has been painted and makes quite an improvement.

The following bills have been approved and paid:

CENTER CEMETERY

William F. Hoehn	$ 1.50	Central Vermont Railway Inc.	5.00
Hamilton S. Cregar	10.06	Elton B. Kinsman	22.60
Johnson and Johnson	6.50	David G. Quinn	75.00
Stanley E. Johnson	5.72	Ralph Holton	80.00
G. O. Dunnell	6.90	Ernest Kenney	1,246.30
Stearns Garage	14.54	David G. Quinn care of M. Callendar lot	40.00
G. C. Buffum	3.32	David G. Quinn care of C. Stearns lot	28.07
Kidder and Company	28.80		
Northfield Water Company	12.00		
Melvin Miller	16.00		
			$1,602.31

WEST NORTHFIELD CEMETERY

William F. Hoehn	$ 2.00	Carlton Holton	82.98
W. N. Potter Grain Stores Inc.	14.42	David Gibson	38.67
Kidder and Company	85.07	Alexander Higgins	61.50
Elton B. Kinsman	6.50	Ruth L. Holton	44.00
Philip Holton	12.60	Rita Gibson	17.85
			$ 365.59

FARMS CEMETERY

William R. Stewart	$ 81.66	Leslie Rice	17.25
John Hammond	10.60	Smead Lumber Company	87.50
Murray M. Hammond	44.07	Murray M. Hammond	4.30
Russell Fisher	11.00	Kidder and Company	27.94
Merle Jones	19.00	H. R. Blake	32.00
Dana Clough	3.00		
Thomas Russell, Sr.	2.00		$ 339.90

MONEY RECEIVED FROM SALE OF LOTS

Elizabeth Middleton	W. Northfield	½ Lot #149½	$ 15.00
Ruth C. Bolton	W. Northfield	1 Lot #245	25.00
Ernest C. Whitney	Farms	½ Lot #106½	15.00
James H. Morgan	Center	½ Lot #400½	15.00

Hubert J. Eastman	W. Northfield	1 Lot #160	25.00
Oressa B. Sutherland	W. Northfield	1 Lot #208	25.00
			$120.00
	Paid to the town of Northfield		$120.00

Respectfully submitted,

DAVID G. QUINN, Chairman
CARLTON W. HOLTON
MURRAY M. HAMMOND
Cemetery Commissioners.

VETERANS' AGENT REPORT

Submitted herewith is a report of the Central Franklin County District Veterans Service Center and the Veterans Benefits Department of the Town of Northfield for the year 1955.

1.	Active Service	354
2.	Bonus	701
3.	Compensation	495
4.	Death Benefits	665
5.	Discharges	378
6.	Education	493
7.	Employment	450
8.	Finance	415
9.	Housing	360
10.	Insurance	257
11.	Legal	407
12.	Loans	267
13.	Medical	902
14.	Notarizations	88
15.	Pension	432
16.	Photostats	3,505
17.	Recordings	50
18.	Selective Service	306
19.	Social Security	99
20.	Taxes	698
21.	Veterans Benefits	2,039
22.	Vital Statistics	1,402
23.	Unclassified	1,400
	Total	16,163

These figures represent contacts for all the former servicemen and women of any war under the jurisdiction of this district unit. The number of requests by the veterans of the Town of Northfield were in proportion to those of other member towns.

The Veterans Benefits Department of the Town of Northfield rendered financial assistance to six families during the year 1955. One of these cases is of a permanent nature with the remaining five classified as temporary. This resulted in expenditures of $1,539.88 with an estimated reimbursement of $769.94 to be made by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts under the provisions of Chapter 115 as amended, Massachusetts General Laws.

The outlook for the year 1956 would indicate a continued increase in the services of this department.

Respectfully submitted,

HOMER L. GAMELIN,
Veterans Agent.

FINANCE COMMITTEE

The Finance Committee was organized for the year on March 8, 1955 with Roger M. Greenwood as Chairman and Mildred E. Addison as Secretary. The Committee has held ten meetings and all financial matters coming before the town have been considered and recommendations made.

Transfers from the $5000 Reserve Fund were authorized as follows:

July	18—	To Snow Removal Account	$ 693.00
		To Fire Account	656.49
September	8—	To Dog Officer Account	35.00
		To Town Clerk Expense Account	75.00
		To Town Clock Account	187.25
October	17—	To the Fire Account	257.81
		To the Welfare Account A.D.C.	400.00
November	14—	To the Welfare Account A.D.C.	230.00
December	5—	To the Sidewalk Account	242.00
		To the Snow Removal Account	750.00
		To the Dog Officers Account	8.85

	To the Cemetery Account	34.90	
	To the Fire Account	414.87	
1956			
January	3—To the Town Hall Account	197.30	
	To the Constables Expense Account	13.17	
	To the Fire Account	155.48	
	To the Dutch Elm Control Account	122.48	
	To the Animal Inspection Account	8.98	
	To the Snow Removal Account	127.62	
	Total	$ 4,610.20	
	Balance		$ 389.80

ROGER M. GREENWOOD, Chairman
MILDRED E. ADDISON, Secretary
FRED I. BOLTON
MARK B. ALDRICH
NORMAN F. FOWLER
GEORGE W. CARR

SCHOOL COMMITTEE REPORT

ORGANIZATION FOR YEAR 1955

School Committee

Roy J. Fish, Chairman	Term expires 1957
Irving Lawrence, Secretary	Term expires 1956
Evelyn True	Term expires 1958

Meetings of the School Committee

The regular meetings of the School Committee are held on the third Thursday of each month, except July and August, at 10:00 A.M. at the Center School.

Superintendent of Schools

F. Sumner Turner
Dartmouth A.B.—Harvard M.Ed.
Boston University—University of Massachusetts
Office, Center School, Tel. 757

School Secretary

Jean M. Smead

School Physician

F. Wilton Dean, M.D.

School Nurse

Marian C. Billings, R.N.

School Calendar (1956 - 1957)

Schools Open January 3, 1956	Close February 17, 1956
Schools Open February 17, 1956	Close April 13, 1956
Schools Open April 23, 1956	Close June 14, 1956
Schools Open September 5, 1956	Close December 21, 1956
Schools Open January 2, 1957	Close February 15, 1957

Report of School Superintendent

To the School Committee and Citizens of Northfield:

I am pleased to present herewith my eighth annual report dealing with the progress made within the public schools during the year 1955. This is the 219th report on public education in the Town of Northfield.

Changes in Personnel

At the close of school in June the following teachers resigned:

Mrs. Eleanor Hammond, High School
Mrs. Jean E. Kozlowski, High School
Mrs. Rae E. Janson, Center School
Mr. Hugh Hayden, Center School
Mrs. Virginia Raymond, Music Supervisor
Mrs. Ruth Johnson, assistant in the Cafeteria
Mrs. Rose Huber, assistant in the Cafeteria on October 20, 1955

Appointments

Mr. Aaron C. Barnard, B.E., Plymouth Teachers College—two years' teaching experience at Tamworth, N.H.—High School.

Mrs. Barbara Baker, B.S., Trinity College for Women—three years head of Biology Department, Cushing Academy—High School.

Mr. John Trumbull, B.A., University of Massachusetts—High School.

Mr. Harvey C. Cadwell, B.S. in Ed., Bridgewater State Teachers College—three years' teaching experience in Wendell—Center School.

Mrs. Mary L. Brady, B.S. in Ed., Bridgewater State Teachers College—Center School.

Mrs. Esther Galbraith, Springfield Conservatory of Music, formerly Music Supervisor in the Williamsburg and Charlemont Unions, presently Music Supervisor in Leyden and Powers Institute—Music Supervisor.

Mrs. Rose Huber—Assistant in the Cafeteria.

Mrs. Jennie Wozniak—Assistant in the Cafeteria.

Pupil Housing Conditions

An extra teacher was added to the High School staff during the summer and suitable arrangements for the use of both rooms of Alexander Hall were made through the kindness of the Alexander Hall Committee. These arrangements made it possible to lighten the teaching loads of most teachers, add classes in World History and Trigonometry to the program of studies, relieve Mr. Leonard of the coaching of girls' basketball, and to give Mr. Leonard a little more time for supervision. As Principal, Mr. Leonard should have still more

time for supervision and administrative duties. However, the end of all available space has been reached, and further changes will depend upon pupil electives and arrangements of schedules. The many shortcomings of the present situation are lightened by the decision of the member towns of the Pioneer Valley Regional School District to build the Regional High School to be ready by September 1957.

The number of pupils in Center School continues to increase with no possibility of gaining any further classroom space. At the present time the classes are divided as follows:

Grade	Number	Teacher
1	27	Mrs. Ruth Bolton
1	28	Mrs. Dorothea Holt
2	35	Mrs. Virginia Haack
2—3	30	Miss Mary L. Brady
3	35	Miss Mary Dalton
4	36	Mrs. Dorothy Herrick
5	40	Mrs. Evelyn Parker
6	37	Mr. Harvey Cadwell
Total	268	

The school census taken October 1, 1955, lists the names of 52 pupils expected to enter school this coming fall. The expected enrollment for September 1956 is:

Grade 1 — 52	Grade 5 — 36
Grade 2 — 55	Grade 6 — 40
Grade 3 — 48	
Grade 4 — 52	Total —— 283

This is not good. This year we were forced to have one double grade. Next year there will be at least two such grades. The completion of the Regional School and the availability of rooms in the High School Building for elementary use can not come any too soon. To mitigate the unfortunate effects of overcrowding and double grades the School Committee is planning to engage for September an extra teacher for Center School. This teacher will act as a remedial and helping teacher for those who need extra attention and help, as well as giving assistance to the teachers.

Textbooks

During the year new textbooks were added in grade 2 through 6, Trigonometry, World History, Literature Grade 7 and 8, Refresher Arithmetic, General Science Grade 9, and Music Books Grade 7. Our increasing numbers call for many additional and many replacements to our present texts.

School Cafeteria

During the year 54,323 lunches and 12,953 additional bottles of milk have been served. At the present time about 370 are served each day. Work has begun on remodeling of the cafeteria kitchen. With the tremendous number of children fed each day the need for better dishwashing facilities is apparent. Already the water heating system on the boiler has been expended, the drain in the kitchen has been lowered and extended, a new stainless steel deep sink has been installed and a doorway cut through the wall for use of the pupils. A dishwashing machine and dish table are now being fabricated for installation. I wish to express my appreciation of the splendid work done in onr Lunch Program, by Mrs. Eugene Hammond, Mrs. Minnie Huber, Mrs. Susie Hillock and Mrs. Jennie Wosniak.

Adult Education

The Practical Art Classes, sponsored by the Northfield Evening Practical Art Program, have completed another very successful year. One hundred and seventeen adults enjoyed creative work and instruction in eight classes:

January to May 1955

Class	Number	Teacher
Rug Hooking	15	Mrs. Ralph Spencer
Chair Caning	12	Mr. Ralph Sargent
Sewing	12	Mrs. Adrian Savage
Total	39	

October to December 1955

Class	Number	Teacher
Early American Decoration	18	Miss Harriet Hawkes
Chair Caning	14	Mr. Ralph Sargent
Rug Braiding	17	Mrs. Ralph Spencer
Sewing, 2 Classes	29	Mrs. Adrian Savage
Total	78	

Total for Year 117

Instrumental Music

This year, instruction in instrumental music in school time was started by Mr. Eugene Gancarz, Instrumental Music teacher at the Northfield Schools. A wonderful start towards a school band has been made. The following numbers of pupils are enrolled: clarinets, 10; cornets, 12; drums, 5; trombones 3; and saxophones 2. The same interest is being shown in our neighboring towns and I am sure that we will have the makings of a real band when the Regional School opens.

Finances

This past year the educational program cost the local taxpayers $60,344.92. The total expenditures was $99,898.66, the difference of $39,553.74, for the most part, came from state reimbursements. The net increase in cost to the taxpayer was $1,443.20. The increase in school population has been as follows:

1952 - 342
1953 - 380
1954 - 406
1955 - 431
1956 - 448 (Estimated)

However, during this same period the cost per pupil from local taxation per fiscal year has steadily decreased:

1952 - $163.16
1953 - 152.26
1954 - 149.12
1955 - 142.04

The reimbursements for 1956 have been estimated as follows:

Chapter 70 as amended 1948, Ch. 643	$19,084.98
Vocational Tuition	704.72
Vocational Transportation	948.84
Transportation	14,467.23
State Wards, Tuition & Trans.	2,800.00
Supt. Salary & Travel	1,216.80
Tuition	1,369.00
Interest School Surplus Fund	22.00
	$40,613.57

These reimbursements depend, in part, on the expenditures and can vary from the estimated figures.

Next year's budget calls for an expenditure of $108,750.00. Except for $300. for water and current and $875.00 in transportation the increase goes for personal services. The major part of this increase is reflected by the salaries of the additional teacher in the High School for a full year and the additional teacher in the Center School from September until January. The increase in salaries is based on the following facts. The spiral of rising wages has not yet reached its peak. The supply of good teachers is very meager. The success of the educational program rests on good teachers. This town is competing with all other towns for the services of good teachers. This town must have a reasonable salary schedule to attract and retain good teachers. Industry is willing to pay higher wages to capable personnel, especially young men who would make fine teachers. Finally, the boys and girls of this town need good teachers as well as the boys and girls of any town.

In analyzing the costs of the School Department, it might be well to compare our spending with the spendings of our neighbors. In the school year 1954-55 Northfield spent from local taxation $147.72 per pupil. In Franklin County 14 towns spent more and 11 spent less. Considering the towns in Franklin County which maintain High Schools only one spent less and eight spent more. From all sources in total spending Northfield spent $239.99. In all towns in Franklin County eight spent less and seventeen spent more. Considering only the towns maintaining High Schools only three spent less and six spent more.

The following table shows how the school dollar was spent last year per pupil in average membership in comparison with the state as a whole and towns under 5,000 maintaining High Schools. With the exception of the money spent for transportation, Northfield spends less on most items than the average for the small towns or those of the state. The larger sum for transportation is found in the peculiar geographical set-up of our towns. Although our schools are in the center of town very few live near enough to walk.

Per Pupil Expenditures in Average Membership School Year 1954 - 1955

	State		Group III Small Towns with High		Northfield	
	Cost per Pupil	Per cent	Cost per Pupil	Per-cent	Cost per Pupil	Per-cent
General Control	$ 8.41	3.2	$ 10.60	4.4	$ 8.87	3.8
Salaries	176.77	67.6	150.16	62.5	144.61	61.9
Textbooks	3.50	1.4	4.64	1.9	3.09	1.3
Supplies	8.41	3.2	7.89	3.3	3.61	1.6
Janitor Service, Fuel, etc.	30.02	11.5	27.62	11.5	22.05	9.5
Repairs	12.09	4.6	7.73	3.2	6.91	3.0
Libraries	0.40	0.2	0.44	0.2	0.00	0.0
Health	3.92	1.5	3.00	1.2	2.10	1.0
Transportation	8.62	3.3	22.76	9.5	39.52	16.9
Tuition	2.98	1.1	0.45	0.2	0.00	0.0
Physical Education	2.03	0.8	1.67	0.7	0.29	0.1
School Lunch	0.84	0.3	1.07	0.4	0.00	0.0
Miscellaneous	3.34	1.3	2.32	1.0	2.01	0.9
Totals	$261.33	100.	$240.34	100.	$233.06	100.

Each year I have included an invitation to all townspeople, especially parents of our pupils, to visit our schools while in session and to see first hand the work, the problems, and the achievements

of our pupils. Attendance during American Education Week is gratifying but, in spite of our efforts, that week tends to become a bit stereotyped. Please take time from your busy schedules to come and see us in the normal activities of the average school day.

The fine achievements of our schools are the results of the co-operative efforts of the School Committee, Principals, Teachers, Secretarial staff, the other workers of our schools, parents and townspeople. I wish to heartily thank all for their continued cooperation and assistance.

Respectfully submitted,

F. SUMNER TURNER,
Superintendent of Schools

Report of School Organization

HIGH SCHOOL

Name	Subject or Grade	Where Educated
George M. Leonard	Principal Mathematics	Bridgewater State Teachers' College B.S. Boston University, M.Ed.
Evelyn G. Lawley	Assistant Principal Science Mathematics	Smith College, A.M. *Boston University
Nellie W. Dearstyne	Spanish English	American International College, B.A. Springfield College, M.Ed. *Columbia University *University Extension Merrill Business College
Conrad S. Bayley	Social Studies Physical Education	Tufts College, A.B.
M. Carleton Brown	Commercial	Bay Path Institute *Northeastern University
Barbara Baker	Science Literature—8	Trinity College for Women, B.S. *St. Joseph College *Fitchburg State Teachers

Name	Subject or Grade	Where Educated
John C. Trumbull	Social Studies	University of Mass., B.A.
Aaron C. Barnard	English 7-8	Plymouth Teachers' College, B.E. *Plymouth Teachers' College
Beryle M. Hammond	Home Economics English	University of New Hampshire, B.S. *University of Massachusetts
Marian C. Billings	School Nurse	Franklin County Public Hospital, R.N.
Jeannette L. Rich	Art Supervisor	Mass. School of Art, B.S. in Ed. *Booth Bay Summer School Springfield Conservatory of Music
Esther Galbraith	Music Supervisor	

*Attended without graduation

CENTER SCHOOL

Name	Subject or Grade	Where Educated
Dorothy T. Herrick	Principal Grade 4	Fitchburg Normal *University Extension
Ruth Bolton	Grade 1	Fitchburg Normal *University Extension

Name	Subject or Grade	Where Educated
Dorothea B. Holt	Grade 1	Keene Teachers' College *University of Vermont *University Extension *Springfield College
Virginia S. Haack	Grade 2	Stevens Institue Technology (Academy) *Leslie College Extension Course *Berlitz School of Language *Columbia University *University Extension *University of Maryland
Mary Lee Brady	Grade 2 & 3	Bridgewater State Teachers, B.S. in Ed.
Mary E. Dalton	Grade 3	Northfield Seminary *Massachusetts State Teachers' College *Hyannis Normal *University Extension
Evelyn H. Parker	Grade 5	North Adams State Teachers' College, B.S.
Harvey G. Cadwell	Grade 6	Bridgewater State Teachers' College, B.S. in Ed. *University of Massachusetts *Harvard *Yale *University of Manila

*Attended without graduation

SCHOOL CUSTODIANS

John Spindler

Part-Time Assistants
William Janes
John D. Ware

SCHOOL LUNCH

Mrs. Minnie Huber

Mrs. Ruth Johnson
Mrs. Jennie Wozniak

Mrs. Susie Hillock

SCHOOL COMMITTEE FINANCIAL REPORT

Item	Appropriation 1955	Expended 1955	Recommended 1956
Superintendent's Salary	$ 2,389.00	$ 2,353.71	$ 2,467.00
Out-of-State Travel	53.00	.....	35.00
Administration Expense	142.00	135.00	148.00
Clerk	893.00	892.47	939.00
Salaries, Teachers	58,350.00	59,186.28	65,373.00
Supervisor, Music	960.00	964.80	1,000.00
Supervisor, Art	712.00	712.00	792.00
Supervisor, Penmanship	500.00	450.00	500.00
Textbooks	1,000.00	1,073.20	1,000.00
Supplies, Student	1,500.00	1,276.90	1,500.00
Domestic Science	100.00	31.88	100.00
Supplies, Janitor	700.00	711.29	700.00
Salaries, Janitor	4,100.00	4,293.72	4,300.00
Sports Officials	100.00	162.19	150.00
Fuel	3,000.00	2,237.22	3,000.00
Water and Current	1,100.00	1,082.87	1,400.00
Repairs	500.00	1,198.91	500.00
New Equipment	500.00	712.78	500.00
Medical, Physician	300.00	300.00	400.00
Nurse	650.00	650.00	700.00
Tuition, Vocational	1,920.00	1,365.16	1,920.00
Transportation	16,650.00	16,517.23	17,525.00
Transportation, Vocational	2,100.00	1,752.89	2,100.00
Sundry Education	681.00	688.26	700.00
Special Project	1,000.00	1,150.00	1,000.00
Totals	$99,900.00	$99,898.66	$108,750.00

Returned to Town Treasury $1.34

State Aid and Net Cost of Education

Year	Total Expenditures	State Aid and Other Receipts	%	Net Cost of Education
1943	$ 35,494.34	$ 11,364.94	32	$ 24,129.40
1944	38,389.09	10,164.53	27	28,524.56
1945	41,091.11	10,545.66	26	30,545.45
1946	44,768.34	10,967.61	25	33,800.73
1947	57,711.99	19,561.29	33.9	38,150.70
1948	60,267.81	20,824.44	34.5	39,443.37
1949	68,938.71	28,504.23	41.3	40,479.48
1950	74,641.75	31,808.52	43.6	42,833.42
1951	82,123.95	32,881.28	40	49,242.67
1952	88,485.13	32,682.11	37	55,803.02

1953	92,534.77	34,669.64	37	57,865.13
1954	97,860.09	38,958.37	39.8	58,901.72
1955	99,898.66	39,553.74	39.6	60,344.92

Net Cost of Schools in 1955

Expenditures		$ 99,898.66
State of Massachusetts Reimbursements:		
Chapter 70 as amended 1948 Chapter 643	$ 17,647.48	
Vocational Tuition	972.40	
Transportation	13,934.45	
Vocational Transportation	936.35	
State Wards: Tuition and Transportation	3,317.33	
Supt.'s Salary and Travel	1,216.80	
Tuition: Town of Warwick	1,025.50	
Town of Erving	226.50	
Town of Vernon	221.25	
Mrs. Grace Smith	33.68	
Interest, School Surplus Fund	22.00	
Total		$ 39,553.74
1955 Net Cost of Education		$ 60,344.92
1954 Net Cost of Education		58,901.72
Net Increase		$ 1,443.20
Net Cost per pupil Fiscal Year 1952		$ 163.16
Net Cost per pupil Fiscal Year 1953		152.26
Net Cost per pupil Fiscal Year 1954		149.12
Net Cost per pupil Fiscal Year 1955		142.04

CENTER SCHOOL LUNCH ROOM

FINANCIAL REPORT

January 1, 1955 to December 31, 1955

Net Worth (Cash, Inventory, Claims)			$ 3,554.99
FINANCIAL STATEMENT:			
Cash Balance		$ 2,265.08	
Complete Lunch (Student)	$ 10,447.20		
Complete Lunch (Adult)	701.70		
Milk	372.01		
Government Reimbursement	5,188.66		
Miscellaneous	119.09		
Receipts		$ 16,828.66	
Total		$ 19,093.74	

DISBURSEMENTS:			
Food	$ 7,014.51		
Milk	4,827.76		
Salaries	3,868.50		
Other	2,396.57		
Total Disbursements		$ 18,107.34	
Cash Balance		$ 986.40	
Cash Balance	$ 986.40		
Inventory	507.34		
U.S.D.A. Claims (Nov.)	587.80		
(Dec.)	498.84		
Total Assets		$ 2,580.38	
Liabilities (Unpaid Bills)			
Com. of Mass.	$ 15.50		
General Baking Co.	90.00		
Total Liabilities		$ 105.50	
Net Worth			$ 2,474.88

Report on School Census
(October 1, 1955)

	Boys	Girls	Total
Between ages 0 and 5	99	121	220
Between ages 5 and 7	53	53	106
Between ages 7 and 14	142	144	206
Between ages 14 and 16	34	29	63
Total	328	347	675

Enrollment by Grades, October 1, 1955

Grade	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
Boys	27	23	26	18	23	14	23	22	11	6	9	6
Girls	26	26	27	17	16	22	15	25	16	6	12	8
Total	53	49	53	35	39	36	38	47	27	12	21	14

Resident Enrollment by Schools

	Boys	Girls
Center School	131	134
High School	77	82
Greenfield Vocational	6	0
Greenfield Elementary	0	1

Mount Hermon School	12	0	
Northfield School for Girls	0	11	
Hebron Academy	1	0	
Deerfield Academy	1	0	
Goodwill Home	1	0	
Westminster Prep.—Conn.	1	0	
Brattleboro	2	0	
Hinsdale Kindergarten	1	0	
Total	233	228	
Grand Total			461

Report of High School Principal

To the Superintendent of Schools and School Committee:

I herewith submit my ninth annual report as Principal of Northfield High School.

Organization and Program

Several important changes have taken place in the personnel and program at Northfield High School during the present school year. Two regular teachers, Mrs. John Hammond and Mrs. Alexander Kozlowski resigned in June. Mrs. Hammond had served Northfield High School faithfully, conscientiously and well as social studies and Latin teacher for eight years. It was her expressed desire to spend more time at being a housewife than was possible while attending to the duties of teaching. Mrs. Kozlowski had served in the capacity of English teacher in grades seven and eight for six years. Her service was marked by a keen interest in each student and a cooperative attitude toward the school program. Mrs. Kozlowski resigned to devote more time in studying elementary school methods and subjects in preparation for teaching in that area. We thank both teachers for their past services and wish them good fortune in the future.

Three new teachers were secured in a reassignment of teaching duties. Mr. Aaron Barnard, who has had teaching experience in Tamworth, N. H., has taken over English subjects of grades seven and eight and the coaching of all girls' sports. Mr. John Trumbull, a recent graduate of the University of Massachusetts, has been assigned the social studies of grades seven and eight and world history. Mrs. Barbara Baker, formerly head of the biology department at Cushing Academy, has taken over all science teaching execpt for chemistry and physics. We expect that this reassignment of teaching duties will result in a more satisfactory teaching program.

Two new subjects have been added to the list of electives for the high school students. World History, which has not been taught for eight years, has proven to be a popular subject as thirteen students elected this course. Such a course gives us a well-rounded social studies program for our students. Due to the expressed desire of a few members of the senior class, who felt a need for additional preparation in the field of mathematics for their future college work, trigonometry has been added to the curriculum.

More time is now being devoted to the teaching of music in grades seven and eight. This has been made possible by the addition of the extra teacher. Mrs. Albert Raymond, music supervisor, resigned in June and her position has been taken by Mrs. Milo Galbraith. May I express my sincere thanks to Mrs. Raymond for her untiring efforts on behalf of the music program at Northfield High School for the past several years. We welcome Mrs. Galbraith and we sincerely hope that her duties at Northfield High School will be enjoyable ones.

Our chief administrative problem at Northfield High School is one of space accommodations. Our enrollment is still very high for the number of rooms and pupil stations available. Through the courtesy of the Alexander Hall committee, we have the use of the two rooms of Alexander Hall as classrooms. These two rooms do supply us with areas for conducting classes but, for the most part, they are not conducive to effective teaching and good learning, especially on cold days.

The subject enrollments in the high school at the present time are as follows:

English 9	27	Civics	27
English 10	11	World History	13
English 11	21	U. S. History	20
English 12	13	Problems of Democracy	13
Latin I	15	Home Economics I	9
Spanish II	4	Home Economics II	1
General Science	12	Typewriting I	12
Biology	13	Typewriting II	11
Chemistry	14	Shorthand I	9
General Math	9	Shorthand II	4
Algebra I	22	Bookkeeping I	7
Algebra II	9	Bookkeeping II	2
Trigonometry	3	Office Practice	5
Art	14		

Extra-Curricular Program

Our yearbook, "The Review," was awarded a first place rating for yearbooks of its type in schools of our size. This is, indeed, a great honor that we earned and is a tribute to the untiring efforts of Miss Dearstyne and members of the Press Club.

Again, this year, we have conducted our weekly broadcast of school news over station WHAI on Thursday mornings. We appreciate this courtesy offered us by Mrs. Miller and officials of WHAI. Much valuable experience and poise is gained by the many students who take advantage of this opportunity.

For the second year in a row, our high school was awarded the Recorder Gazette Trophy for the smaller schools of Franklin County because of its fine record in the three seasonal sports, its all around sports program for both boys and girls, good sportsmanship, and school spirit.

Much improvement has been made in the quality of our athletic teams during the past year. This is especially so in boys' basketball and soccer and girls' volleyball. Very fine records have been made in these two sports during the past fall and girls' softball last spring.

We offer our sincere thanks and appreciation to Miss Evelyn Lawley for coaching fall and spring sports for the past eleven years. In the field of softball during her eleven years as coach, her teams produced the enviable record of winning 74 of 85 games played. This record would be difficult to match in any school or any league. Her softball teams always won first place in the Border League and during eleven years of competition in that league her teams won 61 of 66 games played.

The following are some of the records of our extracurricular activities:

Good Government Day representative
Marie Clark

D.A.R. Good Citizen
Marie Clark

Annual Magazine Sales Drive
$1,823.65

Boys' sports (Border League)
Basketball—tied for first
Baseball—second
Soccer—first

Girls' sports (Border League)
Basketball—tied for third
Softball—first
Volleyball—first

It was my pleasure for the fifth consecutive year to organize the annual Washington and New York trip for the seniors of Northfield High and Powers Institute. Needless to say, this is an outstanding event in the lives of our graduating classes and one which should be continued for years to come.

Commencement Program

Baccalaureate Services were conducted at the Trinitarian Congregational Church on Sunday, June 5, by the Rev. Joseph W. Reeves, who delivered a fine address entitled "The Importance of You" to the twelve members of the graduating class, a fine audience of parents, classmates, friends and regular attendants.

A Class Night program was presented at the Northfield Town Hall on Wednesday evening, June 15, to interested friends, students and parents.

The graduation program was presented at the Town Hall on Thursday, June 16, 1955, at 8:00 p.m. as follows:

Processional—"War March of the Priests"	Mendelssohn
Flag Salute	Audience
National Anthem	Audience
Invocation	Rev. Joseph Reeves
Welcome	John Mankowsky
Honor Essay	Marie Clark
Honor Essay	Geraldine Durant
Music—"Salutation"	Gaines
"One World"	O'Hara
Announcement of Awards	Principal George M. Leonard
Commencement Address "Make Sure You're Right—Then Go Ahead"	Rev. James R. Whyte
Presentation of Diplomas	Superintendent F. Sumner Turner
Class Song—"Senior Song 1932" Words by Myron Johnson	Graduates
School Song—"Our Old High"	All students and Alumni
Benediction	Rev. William Lee
Recessional—"Pomp and Circumstance"	Elgar

Music under the direction of Mrs. Albert Raymond

CLASS ROLL

With Honor — Marie Lafy Clark

Shirley May Clough
Irene Mae Doolittle
Geraldine May Durant
Charles Martin Janes
Paul George Jordan, Jr.
John Jerome Mankowsky
June May Moore
Norman Alvin Porter
Janice Ella Randall
Joyce Marie Shattuck
Alice Ethel Wood

The following awards were made at graduation time:

D.A.R. Good Citizen Award	Marie Clark
Bausch & Lomb Award for excellence in Science	Marie Clark

Pro Merito Certificate	Marie Clark
Readers Digest Award	Marie Clark
P.T.A. Scholarship	Marie Clark

Financial

The following is a statement of Northfield High School funds for the year 1955.

NORTHFIELD HIGH SCHOOL — SCHOOL FUNDS

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

January 1, 1955 — December 31, 1955

Class of 1955	$ 892.44	$ 933.76	$1,826.20	.....
Class of 1956	445.61	1,219.80	470.61	$1,194.80
Class of 1957	75.66	423.50	116.73	382.43
Class of 1958	.....	.70	.....	.70
Class of 1959	.....	10.00	.....	10.00
Class of 1960	.....	10.00	.....	10.00
Press Club	239.65	1,032.84	985.86	286.63
Glee Club	201.78	91.75	83.26	210.27
Student Council Funds	1,072.87	2,658.78	2,912.14	819.51
Totals	$2,928.01	$6,381.13	$6,394.80	$2,914.34

Northfield High School Athletic Fund

Balance on hand January 1, 1955		$137.10	
Receipts:			
Admissions to games	$395.50		
Donations	16.00		
Total		411.50	$548.60
Expenses:			
Officials	$202.00		
Cleaning Uniforms	34.15		
Transportation	170.00		
Athletic Supplies	46.02		
Total			$452.17
Balance on hand December 31, 1955			$ 96.43
Bills Outstanding			$128.15

Items to Ponder

During the past few years increasing numbers of our graduates have been accepted on their high school record alone into four year colleges and some have gained admission by examinations. At the present time, nine of our students are registered in four year colleges. All are doing fine work. Many more than this number are attending or have attended schools of nursing and agriculture, or commercial colleges.

Of last year's graduating class of twelve members three are now attending four year colleges - two at Northeastern University and one at the University of Massachusetts; two have entered the armed services; two are married; and five have employment. Indications point to the fact that of the thirteen members of the present senior class who will graduate in June of 1956, eleven plan to continue their education beyond high school. Of these eleven, six are planning to enroll at four year colleges.

Recently, a nationwide test was conducted by the National Merit Scholarship Program. This test was given to the outstanding members of the senior classes throughout the United States. Sixty thousand of the best in the country were given a screening test. Practically all the high schools in Franklin County participated. One of our seniors, Andrew Sheldon, was the only public school senior in Franklin County to survive this screening test. His record shows him to be in the top 1% of the seniors in the country. He will take an additional test early in January to determine the possibility of his gaining a full four year scholarship in the college of his choice.

Each parent can do much to inspire his children to greater heights by taking an interest in their school work, providing them with the necessary time and facilities for doing their school work, and aiding them in determining what their future goals will be. Many students have risen to great heights because their parents have given them the inspiration, guidance, and support they needed while they were attending high school. Won't you do what you can to help your child set his aims high and then accomplish them?

May I take this opportunity to extend my personal thanks to Mr. Turner, the members of the school committee, teachers, students, parents and friends for their continued support and helpful cooperation during the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE M. LEONARD, Principal

Report of Center School Principal

To the Superintendent of Schools:

I herewith submit my ninth annual report for the Center School.

Our enrollment reached a new high of two hundred seventy-seven pupils this fall which put every available desk to use and left no unused space in any classroom. Added room for supplies was attained by widening the shelves in the supply closet.

The schedule of redecorating the classrooms has now been completed and attention is being given to the main corridor and remodeling of the lunchroom.

Some group participation was made possible when on stormy noon hours the pupils in the upstairs rooms gathered in the corridor for the singing of familiar songs. The lunch program has grown to such extent that the lunchroom is not available for use as an auditorium but our attendance is such that it would not be large enough for all.

Two changes in the teaching staff occurred when Mr. Hugh Hayden, sixth grade teacher, accepted a position as principal in the Elementary School in Bernardston, and Mrs. Rae Janson, second grade teacher, resigned to teach in Keene. These vacancies were filled by Mr. Harvey G. Cadwell and Mrs. Mary Lee Brady.

National Education Week brought many parents and friends to visit, both during regular school hours, and at "Open House" which was again held in conjunction with the PTA supper and meeting.

The dental program is still being continued under the supervision of Mrs. Marian Billings, school nurse. Results reported to Miss Genevieve Ely of the state department last June were 67% of the 239 enrolled (in September of 1954) returned certificates denoting dental work completed. An additional 2% were still under treatment as school closed for summer vacation.

Northfield was well represented in the list of awards following the milk poster contest sponsored by Station WHAI in Greenfield. Henry Prescott of grade four was the grand winner.

As usual we renew our standing invitation to parents and adult friends to visit our classrooms during regular school hours.

Again I wish to thank Mr. Turner, the School Committee, Mrs. Jean Smead, my co-workers, and the parents and friends of our pupils for their cooperation and interest in the Center School.

Respectfully submitted,

DOROTHY T. HERRICK

MUSIC SUPERVISOR'S REPORT

Since September, I have enjoyed my teaching in the Northfield schools. There is splendid cooperation of all faculty members, and I look forward with enthusiasm to the coming year.

The grades enjoyed a Christmas program at the Town Hall, giving all grades a chance to sing carols together as well as to perform individually.

The Glee Club is a large and enthusiastic group, numbering approximately fifty. They enjoyed singing at the Christmas party, and now are making plans for their operetta and further activities.

ESTHER S. GALBRAITH
Supervisor of Music

ART SUPERVISOR'S REPORT

To the Superintendent of Schools and the School Committee:

I herewith submit my report as Art Supervisor.

The Art program, during this past year, has been increasingly directed toward the development of the skills and the originality of the child in expressing graphically his reaction to studies or current interests in his environment—in a manner satisfactory to the individual at each age level.

The lower grades, we are happy to report, in several schools, have created large murals as an integration with the social or other studies.

The upper grades have entered into several poster projects.

To those classes entering, the "Kindness To Animals" poster contest brought satisfactory results.

In the "Milk Poster" Contest sponsored by Station WHAI and open to all the schools in Franklin County, the results were very gratifying. The pupils of Northfield Union won most of the major prizes in the primary and intermediate classifications as well as many honorable mentions. The Grand Prize for best poster in the contest went to a boy at Center School in Northfield.

During Book Week, posters were on display by pupils of grades 7 and 8 and the High School group of Northfield High School at the Dickinson Memorial Library.

The High School group painted the scenery for the operetta at the Town Hall. The group also sketched material for the Year Book. We feel that projects of this type should increasingly be promoted as a part of the High School Art work.

The Christmas window decorations throughout the Union were religious in theme.

We feel that the continued fine cooperation of the teachers is making the drawing program become each year a stronger force in the daily lives of the boys and girls of the Northfield Union.

Respectfully submitted,

JEANETTE L. RICH

SCHOOL NURSE'S REPORT

To the Superintendent of Schools and the School Committee of the Town of Northfield:

I herewith submit my second annual report as school nurse.

Of the 430 students enrolled in our Public Schools slightly over 2% were found to have hearing losses and over 11% failed the Mass. Vision Test. The latter showed a marked increase in defects over previous years. All pupils failing either test were given notices to that effect.

Thirty-four children were examined by Dr. Dean at the Pre-school round up in June. All other first graders were seen either at school or by family physicians.

As usual, in September, all pupils in grade 1 (as mentioned above), 4, 7, 10 and those involved in competitive sports were examined by our school physician, Dr. Dean. Only minor defects were found and notices sent to all parents.

A new program on Personal Hygiene was carried out in grades five and six this fall and will be extended to include 7th and 8th grade girls early in the new year.

A routine inspection of all grades in Center School was made on two different occasions, to detect any pediculosis, and none was found. Grade five students were instructed in proper mouth hygiene and an inspection of all students in that grade was also made.

The eighth grade was added to our dental program this year. Many dental delinquents have had work completed through the courtesy of the Kiwanis Club and the Franklin County Dental Clinic.

One polio vaccination clinic was held, in June, with sixty-nine children receiving the vaccine. No reactions were reported. Dr. Dean injected the vaccine, assisted by your school nurse and members of the Fortnightly.

During the winter of '55 the playground became hazardous due to a coating of ice, and we had many minor injuries.

In conclusion I would like to take this opportunity to thank the Fortnightly for the aid given the School Nurse in weighing and measuring of students and clinic work. I also wish to express appreciation for the cooperation of school officials and teachers.

Respectfully submitted,

MARIAN BILLINGS
School Nurse

SCHOOL PHYSICIAN'S REPORT

I am glad to report that this has been a healthy year as regards the health of the school children, and that the activities of the school physician have been essentially routine. There have been fewer cases of contagious disease than usual and less bother with cards for returning to school. There have been a few cases of minor accidents at school, chiefly in the playground or during games.

The routine examination of the pupils began with the pre-school examination of the prospective first graders in June at which time the parent came with the child and his history, weight and measurements were recorded prior to the physical examination. In September and October the remaining first graders, new students, and students in the fourth, seventh and tenth grades were examined, as well as all students in high school who participate in athletic games. It should be stated that fewer defects than usual were found at these examinations this year.

The one big exception to routine business this year was the administration of poliomyelitis vaccine to 65 first and second graders on June first at a special clinic at school. Only the first shot was given, though it had been expected that a second shot would be given, at least in the fall, but the Massachusetts committee on polio refused to give approval. There is at present some difference of opinion as to the best procedure, but those children who wish the best protection against polio should have 2 shots by next June, and better three. It looks now as if this would have to be done privately.

I wish to thank our new school nurse, Mrs. Marian Billings, and the teachers for their cooperation this year.

Respectfully submitted,

F. WILTON DEAN, M. D.
School Physician

Report on Athletic Field

Appropriation		$400.00
Expenditures:		
Labor:		
Walter Shaw	$18.13	
William Janes	40.00	
John Ware	98.00	
		$156.13
Supplies:		
Melvin Miller	$56.00	
Spencer's Garage	4.48	
J. L. Dunnell	5.50	
Hamilton Cregar	26.53	
Smead Lumber Co.	2.94	
		95.45
Repairs:		
Morgan Garage	$11.56	
		11.56
Total Expenditures		$263.14
Balance		$136.86

The Committee would like to ask for the same appropriation as last year—$400.00 ($200.00 for maintenance and $200.00 for improvements).

Respectfully submitted,

Northfield School Committee

ROY FISH, Chairman
I. J. LAWRENCE, Secretary
EVELYN TRUE

PIONEER VALLEY SCHOOL DISTRICT COMMITTEE REPORT

To the Citizens of Bernardston, Northfield, and Warwick:

The past year has been extremely busy and successful for the Pioneer Valley Regional School District Committee.

The Committee was organized as follows: Mr. Wendell Streeter, Chairman; Mr. Albert H. Stoddard, Jr., Vice Chairman; Mr. Howard King, Treasurer; Mrs. Jean Smead, Secretary; Mr. F. Sumner Turner, Superintendent.

During the year, forty-one regular meetings have been held together with numerous meetings of sub-committees and field trips. All meetings have been open to the public and press and the committee wishes to thank those who did find time to attend. This is a tremendously large project and the more people who are completely informed about it, the better the school will be.

After the qualifications of thirty-four architects were studied and eleven were interviewed by the entire committee, The Architects Collaborative, 96 Mount Auburn Street, Cambridge, Massachusetts, were chosen as architects. Mr. Robert McMillan was to be in charge.

The following broad educational specifications were agreed upon and approved by the School Building Assistance Commission: College, Commercial, General, Home Making, Industrial Arts, and Vocational Agriculture.

A driven well giving 42 gallons per minute of fine quality water was located on the property.

All the necessary steps and approvals were obtained from all the approving commissions and plans were put out to bid. The total cost of the project was determined at $1,440,000. On December 12, 19, and 20, the towns of Northfield, Warwick, and Bernardston, respectively, voted not to disapprove the incurring of $1,350,000. debt by the District. In these meetings, a negative vote was necessary to record approval. The votes were: Northfield, Yes 121, No 221; Warwick, Yes 11, No 38; and Bernardston, Yes 11, No 105.

On December 30, 1955, a contract for the complete building and grounds was signed with Neri Construction Company of Millbury, Mass. This building is to be finished not later than September 1,

1957. The building contract was $1,243,317.00. At the time of the town meetings the committee attempted to distribute to every voter a copy of a brochure completely describing the building and costs. There are still a few available and may be obtained at the Office of the Superintendent of Schools.

The following Budgets have been adopted by the Committee. According to the agreement, hearings were held in the several towns on or before November 15, 1954 and the final budget registered by the treasurer with the several town treasurers on December 31, 1955.

OPERATIONAL BUDGET

Treasurer, Salary		$ 500.00
Expenses	$ 50.00	
Surety Bond	400.00	
Supplies	25.00	
		475.00
Secretary, Salary		500.00
Committee Expenses		
Travel	$ 150.00	
Telephone	200.00	
Postage	125.00	
		475.00
Legal Counsel		250.00
Office Supplies and Miscellaneous		200.00
		$ 2,400.00
Bernardston's Share	$ 729.60	
Northfield's Share	1,308.00	
Warwick's Share	362.40	
	$ 2,400.00	

CAPITAL BUDGET

Maturing debt due May 1956		$ 5,000.00
Interest on Debt:		
$90,000 loan issued May 1955		$ 1,925.00
$1,350,000 loan		16,875.00
Cost of Issuing Bonds $1,350,000		4,050.00
		$ 27,850.00
Bernardston's Share	$ 8,577.80	
Northfield's Share	16,069.45	
Warwick's Share	3,202.75	
	$ 27,850.00	

The Committee appreciates the help given by so many people in all towns to make possible the achievements thus far. The Committee realizes the tremendous tasks yet to be solved, namely: To supervise the completion of the building and grounds, to define the program and offerings of the school, to select and organize a staff of teachers and supervisors competent to achieve the aims and expectations of this school, and to provide a firm basis for the operation of the school from year to year.

The Committee welcomes any suggestions or help in the solving their many problems. Meetings are open to the public and are generally held on Thursday evenings. The meetings are rotated from town to town and notice is given in the newspaper and by radio.

Respectfully submitted,

Mr. Wendell E. Streeter, Chairman
Mr. Robert P. Barnes
Mrs. Emily L. Benoit
Mr. Paul J. Donaldson
Mr. J. Norman Durkee
Mr. Irving H. Lawrence
Mr. Walla M. Stearns
Mr. Albert H. Stoddard, Jr.
Mrs. Anna M. Wilcox

PIONEER VALLEY REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

Report of the Treasurer

January 1, 1955 to December 31, 1955

RECEIPTS

Proceeds of $25,000 Pioneer Valley Regional School District 1% Note in anticipation of Bond Issue dated April 15, 1955 and due May 15, 1955		$ 25,000.00
Proceeds of $90,000 Pioneer Valley Regional School District 2.2% School Bonds dated May 1, 1955 and due $5,000 each May 1, 1956/73		90,000.00
Premium on above bonds @ .199		179.10
Assessments received from towns:		
Bernardston	$959.12	
Northfield	1,767.93	
Warwick	397.97	
		3,125.02

Received from rental of land		150.00
Accrued interest received		13.30
Proceeds of $50,000 U. S. Treasury Bills maturing September 15, 1955		
Cost on June 20, 1955	$ 49,824.79	
Interest received	175.21	
		50,000.00
		$168,467.42

DISBURSEMENTS

Purchase of 83.172 acres of land for school site		$ 18,000.00
Payment of $25,000 Pioneer Valley Regional School District 1% Note in anticipation of Bond Issue		25,000.00
Purchase of $50,000 U. S. Treasury Bills due September 15, 1955 @ 99.649583 net		49,824.79
Planning Budget		
Architect's planning fees and expenses	$ 68,074.56	
Engineering fees	709.00	
Borings	1,517.88	
Tests—chemical and mechanical	155.60	
Topographical survey	1,101.78	
Advertising proposal for bids	96.19	
		71,655.01
Capital Budget		
Interest on maturing debt	$ 990.00	
Travel of Committee	150.22	
Cost of land taking	121.20	
Cost of counsel	85.83	
Cost of preparation of Bond Issue	394.39	
		1,741.64
Operating Budget		
Telephone	$ 171.11	
Accrued interest paid	74.83	
Surety Bond premium, Treasurer	60.00	
Salaries and travel of Secretary and Treasurer	810.00	
Office supplies	85.81	
Postage	47.15	
Printing	461.33	
Miscellaneous	56.93	
		1,767.16
Balance on hand December 31, 1955		478.82
		$168,467.42

Respectfully submitted,

HOWARD A. KING, Treasurer

TOWN WARRANT

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

FRANKLIN, SS.

To either of the Constables of the Town of Northfield in the County of Franklin, *Greeting*:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of said town, qualified to vote in elections and in town affairs, to meet at the Town Hall in said Northfield on Monday the sixth day of February next, at ten o'clock in the A. M., then and there to bring in their votes by ballot for the following officers for the coming year:

Town Clerk, Town Treasurer for one year, one Selectman for three years, one Assessor for three years, Town Moderator for one year, one School Committee Member for three years, one Cemetery Commissioner for three years, two Library Trustees for three years, Tree Warden for one year, Tax Collector for one year, three Constables for one year, one Constable for one year, a resident of Northfield Farms, one member of the Planning Board for five years, and one member of the Planning Board for two years.

The polls will open at ten A.M. and close at eight P.M.

And you are directed also to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Northfield, qualified to vote in Town affairs, to meet in the Town Hall in said Town on Tuesday, February 7th, 1956, at seven o'clock in the evening, then and there to act on the following articles:

Article 1. To hear the reports of the several Town Officers, and act thereon.

Article 2. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time, in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1956, and to issue a note or notes thereof, payable within one year, and to renew such notes as may be given for a period of less than one year, in accordance with Section 17, Chap-

ter 44, General Laws; any debt or debts incurred under this vote to be paid from the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1956.

Article 3. To see if the Town will vote to empower the Selectmen to defend the Town in any suit brought against the Town, or act thereon.

Article 4. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $150.00 for the use of the Library at Northfield Farms, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommends $150.00

Article 5. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to be used by the Tree Warden in the care and preservation of shade trees, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommends $600.00

Article 6. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for lighting the streets, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommends $5,346.00

Article 7. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for tools for highway work, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommends $200.00

Article 8. To see if the Town will vote to fix the salary and compensation of all elective officers of the Town as provided by Section 108 of Chapter 41, General Laws, as amended, or act thereon.

Selectmen and Welfare Boards:		
Chairman of Board	$325	$75
Second Member	325	75
Third Member	325	75
Assessors:		
First Member	$300	
Second Member	300	
Third Member	300	
Town Moderator	$ 25	
Treasurer	900	
Tax Collector	750	
Town Clerk	500	
School Committee:		
Chairman	$100	
Second Member	100	
Third Member	100	

Article 9. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate such sums of money as shall be necessary for salaries and other Town Charges, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommends

Selectmen's & Welfare Board Salary	$ 1,200
Selectmen's Exp. a/c	250
Assessors' Salary	900
Assessors' Exp. a/c	225
Treasurer's Salary	900
Treasurer's Exp. a/c.	400
Tax Collector's Salary	750
Tax Collector's Exp. a/c	500
Town Clerk's Salary	500
Town Clerk's Exp. a/c	30
School Committee Salary	300
Town Moderator's Salary	25
Town Accountant's Salary	950
Town Accountant's Exp. a/c	75
Sealer Weights & Meas.	150
Sealer's Exp. a/c	25
Inspection of Animals	175
Dog Officer and Exp.	150
Inspection of Meat & Slaughtering	50
Public Health	1,300
Schools	108,750
Fire Department	2,500
Maintenance Water Holes	400
P. V. Regional School	
Operating Budget	1,308
Capital Budget	16,069.45
Alexander Hall	$ 250
Old Age Assistance	38,000
Aid to Dependent Children	6,000
General Relief	3,000
Disability Assistance	3,000
Public Welfare Adm.	3,000
Soldier's Relief	3,500
Machinery Maintenance acct. (Tr. from Rd. Mach. Fund)	3,000
Bridges	3,000
Election & Registrations	2,000
Fire & Casualty Ins.	5,300
Interest Account	200
Town Hall Care	5,000
Legal Expense	250
Damages	200
Town Clock & Fountain	150
Town Reports	900
Snow Removal	6,500
Public Safety	25
Protection Tax Title Property	25
Highway Bounds, Surveys and Plans	250
Wire Inspector & Exp.	50
Fire Station Bonds	
Maturing Debt	3,000
Interest	1,332

Article 10. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $5,800.00 for the operation of the Dickinson Memorial Library, this sum to include the fines collected, and the dog tax, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommends $5,800.00

Article 11. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to be used in the extermination of the Gypsy Moth, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommends $400.00

Article 12. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to be used by the Gypsy Moth Agent for the removal of dead wood and spraying of the

Town Elms, to combat Dutch Elm Disease, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommends $1,800.00

Article 13. To see if the Town will authorize the Assessors to appoint one of their members as Clerk of the Board, and that the salary be $500.00 in accordance with Section 4a, Chapter 41, General Laws, and raise and appropriate money for the same.

The Finance Committee recommend $500.00

Article 14. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the salary of a Public Health Nurse, and substitute Nurse, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommend $2,800.00

Article 15. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the Public Health Nurse's expense account, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommend $75.00

Article 16. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to be used in trading the Public Health Nurse's car, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommend $1,600.00

Article 17. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the expense of the Public Health Nurse's car, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommend $350.00

Article 18. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $50.00 to be expended by the American Legion for Veterans' Markers, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommends $50.00

Article 19. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the care and preservation of cemeteries, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommend $1,790.00

Article 20. To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to enter in contract with the Board of Public

Works, Division of Highways, for repair and improvement of roads and highways exclusive of state highways, and raise and appropriate or transfer from unappropriated, available funds in the treasury, a sum of money for Chapter 81 Highways, or take any action in relation thereto.

The Finance Committee recommend to raise and appropriate $4,875.00 and to transfer $17,875.00 from unappropriated available funds

Article 21. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from unappropriated available funds in the treasury, a sum of money for Chapter 90 Highway construction, or take any action relative thereto.

The Finance Committee recommend to raise and appropriate $3,000.00 and to transfer $9,000.00 from unappropriated available funds

Article 22. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from unappropriated available funds in the treasury, a sum of money for Chapter 90 maintenance, or take any action in relation thereto.

The Finance Committee recommend to raise and appropriate $1,000.00 and to transfer $2,000.00 from unappropriated available funds

Article 23. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from unappropriated available funds in the treasury, the sum of $2,000.00 for improvement of East Street, Adams Road and Gerrish Road, or take any action relative thereto.

The Finance Committee recommend $2,000.00

Article 24. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of money for highway work, to be expended under the direction of the Selectmen, or take any vote or votes in relation thereto.

The Finance Committee recommend $2,000.00

Article 25. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of money to be used in putting up railing, or take any vote or votes in relation thereto.

The Finance Committee recommend $900.00

Article 26. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of money to repair sidewalks, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommend $1,000.00

Article 27. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to provide suitable drainage on the east side of the West Northfield Road near the former Corser property to the South Vernon Post Office, or take any vote or votes in relation thereto.

The Finance Committee makes no recommendation at this time

Article 28. To see if the Town will vote to go on record, by resolution or otherwise, as favoring a non-partisan citizens caucus as the means of selecting candidates for election to Town Offices, or act thereon.

Article 29. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from the Road Machinery Fund the sum of $1,750.00 to purchase a snow plow and sander, or take any vote or votes relative thereto.

The Finance Committee recommend $1,750.00

Article 30. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of money for the care, maintenance and improvement of the Fire Station and Town Garage, or take any vote or votes in relation thereto.

The Finance Committee recommend $1,000.00

Article 31. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the purpose of constructing a drainage ditch extending from Warwick Avenue across Maple Street to a swamp, or take any action thereon.

The Finance Committee makes no recommendation at this time.

Article 32. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of money to be used in making repairs on discontinued school buildings, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommend $250.00

Article 33. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to dispose of the School House in District #6, or take any action thereon.

Article 34. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of money for hydrant service for sixteen hydrants to be paid to the Northfield Water Co. for adequate water to supply the hydrants for fire protection, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommend $400.00

Article 35. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of $200.00 to be used to purchase fish to be liberated in streams in the Town of Northfield, under the supervision of the Selectmen, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommend $200.00

Article 36. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to install a street light on North Lane near the residence of Mrs. Anderson at the junction of Rustic Ridge, or take any vote or votes in relation thereto.

The Finance Committee recommend $24.00

Article 37. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of money to meet foreclosure cost on tax titles, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommend $300.00

Article 38. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of money for the care of the playground and athletic field, this sum to be expended under the supervision of the School Committee, or take any vote or votes in relation thereto.

The Finance Committee recommend $200.00 for maintenance and $200.00 for improvement

Article 39. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of money for Civil Defense purposes, the same to be expended under the direction of the Selectmen and the Civil Defense Committee, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommend $100.00

Article 40. To see if the Town will vote to accept Highland Circuit as laid out by the Selectmen, dated December 22d, 1955, and filed with the Town Clerk, and to raise and to appropriate any sum of money to use for the same, or take any action thereon.

The Finance Committee recommend $300.00

Article 41. Shall Chapter Thirty-two of the General Laws, authorizing any county, city, town or district to provide a plan of group life insurance, group accidental death and dismemberment insurance, and group general or blanket hospital, surgical and medical insurance for certain persons in the service of such county, city, town or district and their dependents, be accepted by this Town?

The Finance Committee recommend further study

Article 42. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $2,000.00 for Group Life and Accident Insurance for Town Employees as permitted by Article 41, or take any vote or votes in relation thereto.

The Finance Committee does not recommend

Article 43. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to be expended under the direction of the Northfield Post of the American Legion and the Northfield Post of the Veterans of Foreign Wars for the purpose of celebrating Memorial Day, or take any action thereon.

The Finance Committee recommend $275.00

Article 44. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of money to maintain state-aided vocational education in accordance with the provisions of Section 14 of Chapter 74, General Laws, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommend $700.00

Article 45. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $2,000.00 for the Fire Department to use to purchase hose and miscellaneous equipment, or take any action thereon.

The Finance Committee recommend $2,000.00

Article 46. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of money for Constables' pay and expense, or take any action thereon.

The Finance Committee recommend $750.00

Article 47. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of money for Constables' equipment, or take any action thereon.

The Finance Committee recommend $100.00

Article 48. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of money to pay the Town's share of the expense of relocating the #2 Bound on the Northfield-Erving Town Line, and the #10 Bound on the Northfield-Gill Town Line, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommend $225.00

Article 49. To see if the Town will vote to accept the sum of $150.00 from the estate of Jennie L. Bascom as a trust fund, the interest thereof payable to the Treasurer, to be used for perpetual care of her lot in the Northfield Farms Cemetery.

Article 50. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to be used in conjunction with repairs to the steeple of the Unitarian Church, (the repairs require moving the Town Clock and the case for same, which are the property of the Town) or take any vote or votes in relation thereto.

The Finance Committee makes no recommendation at this time.

Article 51. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $850.00 to be expended under the direction of the Alexander Hall Committee for the installation of a Ladies Rest Room in Alexander Hall, or take any vote or votes relative thereto.

The Finance Committee recommend $850.00

Article 52. To hear the report of the Committee appointed by the Moderator under Article 49 of the annual Town Meeting, February 7, 1955, or take any action relative thereto.

Article 53. To see if the Town will vote to change the date of the Annual Town Election to be the first Monday of March in each year; and the date of the Annual Town Meeting to be the first Tuesday after the first Monday of March in each year, or take any vote or votes relative thereto.

Article 54. To see if the Town will vote to change any location for posting Town Meeting Warrants or take any action thereon.

Article 55. To hear the report of the War Memorial Committee and act thereon.

Article 56. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate, or transfer from unappropriated available funds in the Treasury, the sum of $150.00 to provide and install equipment for flood-lighting the War Memorial, said sum to be expended under the direction of the Board of Selectmen, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee do not recommend

Article 57. To hear the report of the Honor Roll Committee and act thereon.

Article 58. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate $500.00 to purchase curtains for the Town Hall, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommend $500.00

Article 59. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of money to be expended by the Selectmen to insulate the ceiling of the Town Hall and provide ventilators, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee makes no recommendation at this time.

Article 60. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the appointment of a committee by the moderator, for the purpose of studying the advisability or need of a revaluation of the property in the Town of Northfield, or act thereon.

Article 61. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate or transfer a sum of money from Overlay Reserve, for a reserve fund for the current year, or take any vote or votes in relation thereto.

The Finance Committee recommend $5,000.00

Article 62. To see if the Town will vote to transfer a sum of money from Surplus Revenue, to be used by the Assessors in determining the 1956 Tax Rate, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommend $10,000.00

And you are directed to serve this Warrant by posting up attested copies thereof at the Post Offices in Northfield, East Northfield, West Northfield, at the School House in

District No. 6, and the Tenney Farms Filling Station at Northfield Farms in said Town, seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting.

Hereof fail not, and make due return of this Warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk, at the time and place of meeting, as aforesaid.

Given under our hands this twentieth day of January in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and fifty-six.

WILLIAM M. MARSHALL,
ROBERT P. BARNES,
WALLACE E. STANGE,
Selectmen of Northfield.

A true copy. Attest:

JOSEPH G. MORGAN, Constable

Facts About Northfield

Incorporated	1714
Population	2,239 (1955)
Form of Government	Town Meeting
Tax Rate	$60.00
Number of Dwellings	700
Real Estate Valuation	$1,883,322.00
Personal Property	$298,655.00
Public Schools	Elementary School High School
Private Schools	The Northfield School for Girls
Fire Protection	Three Fire Engines
Town Highways	67 Miles
Public Libraries	Dickinson Memorial Northfield Farms
Altitude	309 ft. (at Town Hall)
Rail Roads	Boston & Maine Central Vermont
Water Supply	East Northfield Water Co. Northfield Water Co.

Important Information

FIRST CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

EIGHTH COUNCILLOR DISTRICT

FRANKLIN-HAMPSHIRE SENATORIAL DISTRICT

UNITED STATES SENATORS

Leverett Saltonstall — John B. Kennedy

REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS

John W. Heselton

GOVERNOR

Christian A. Herter

LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR

Sumner G. Whittier

COUNCILLOR

Bruce Crane

STATE SENATOR

Ralph Mahar

REPRESENTATIVE IN GENERAL COURT

Philip F. Whitmore

FRANKLIN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Carlos Allen, Chairman

Frank Reed — Harry Koch

Fred I Bolton
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